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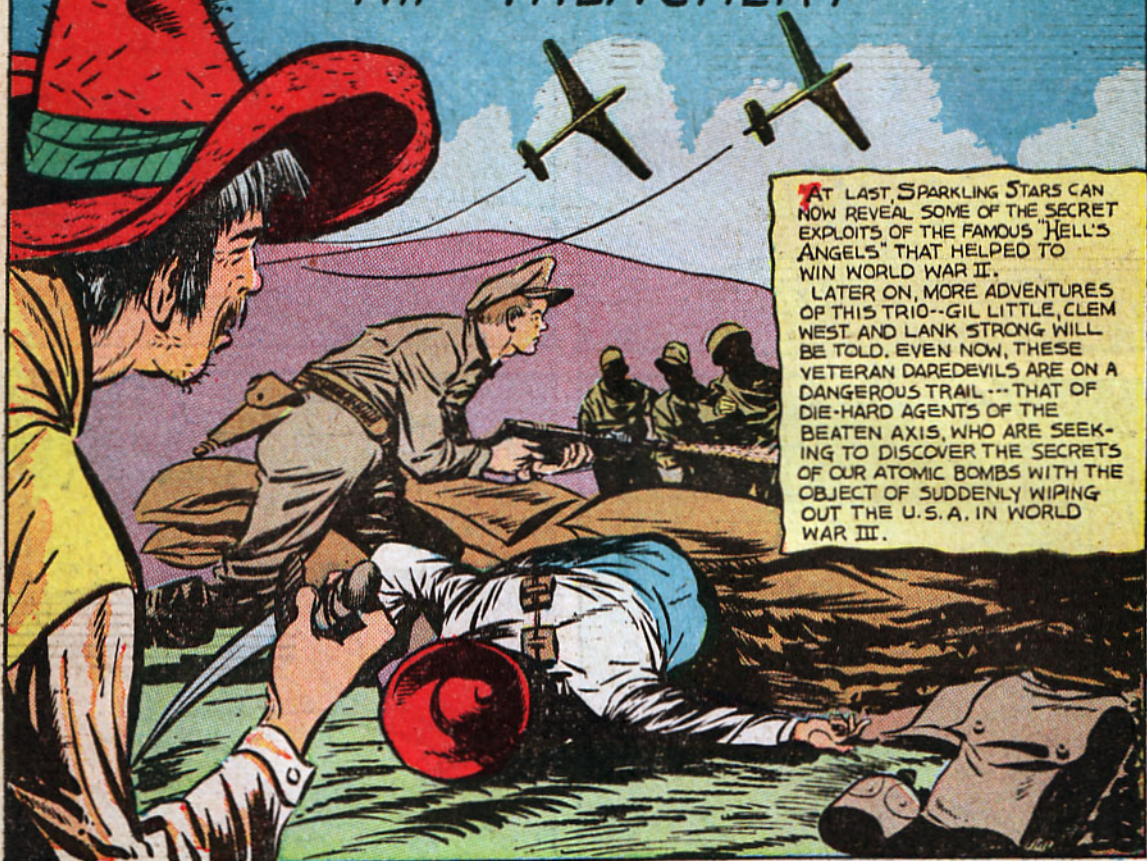
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THE HELL'S ANGELS, ON PATROL IN THE CHINA-BURMA-INDIA THEATER OF WAR, RUN INTO NEW THRILLING ADVENTURES THAT LEAD TO TREACHERY IN SOUTH AMERICA!

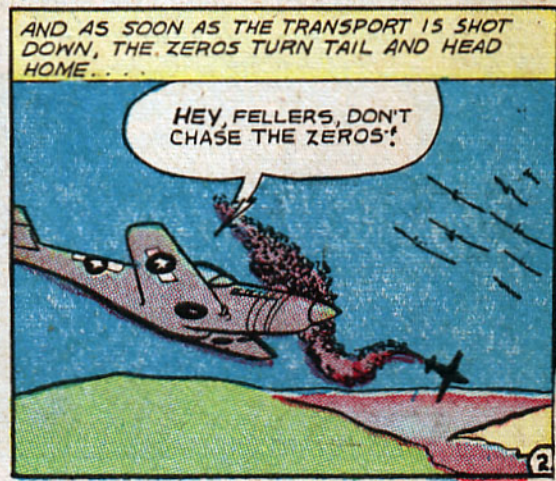
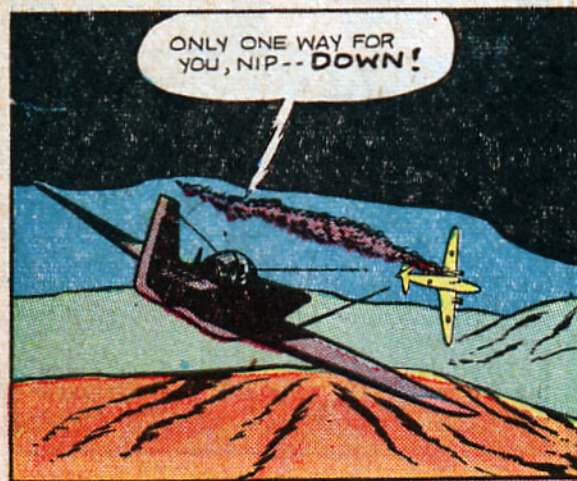
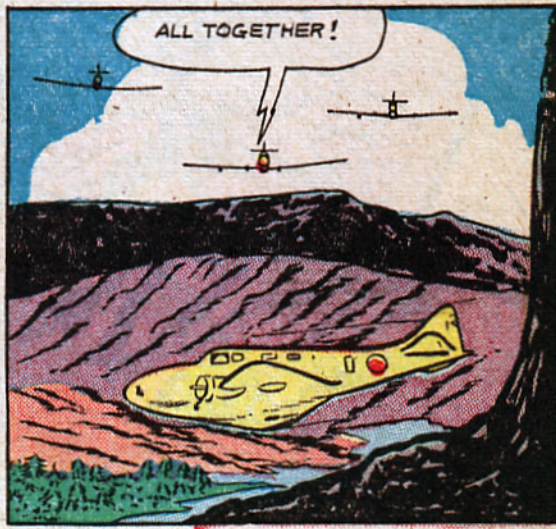
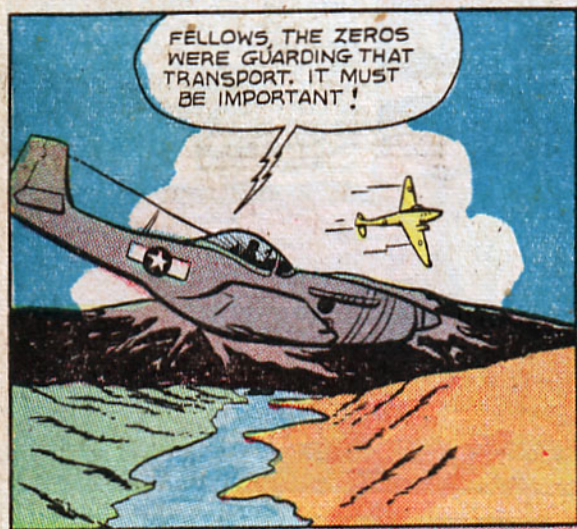
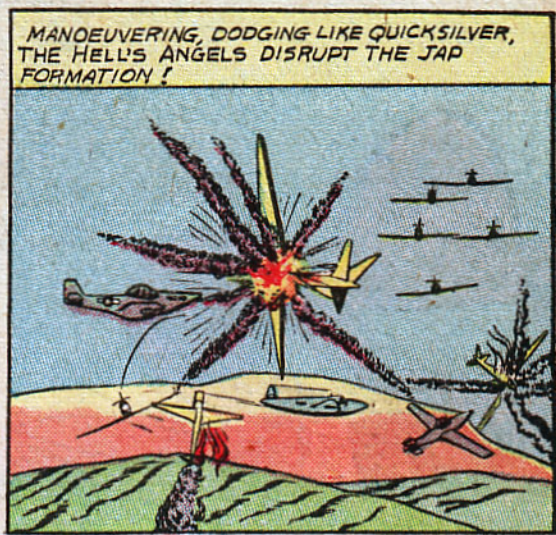
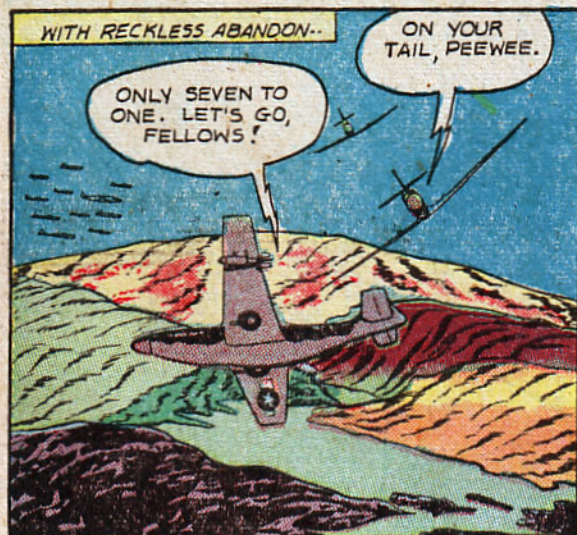
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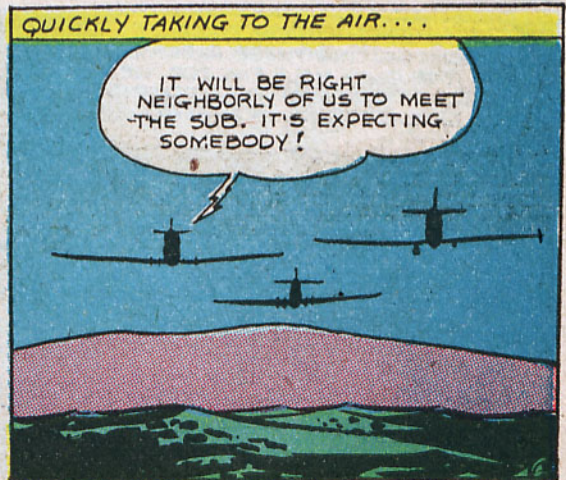
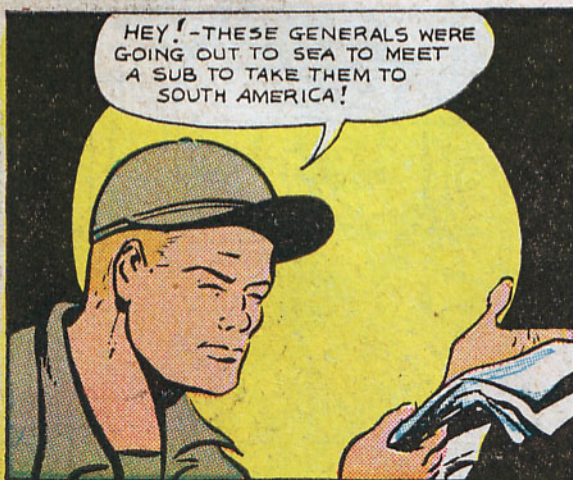
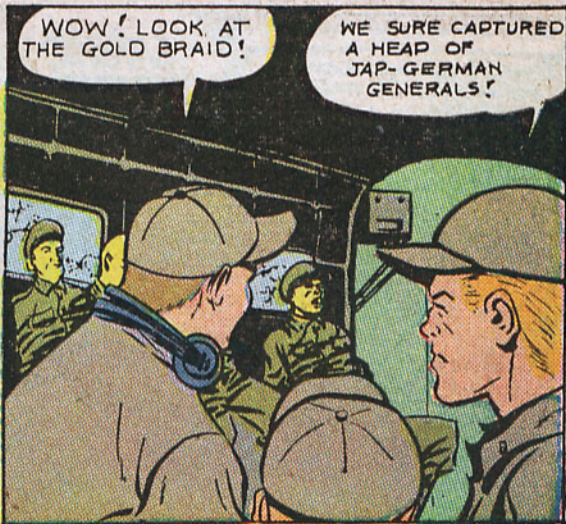
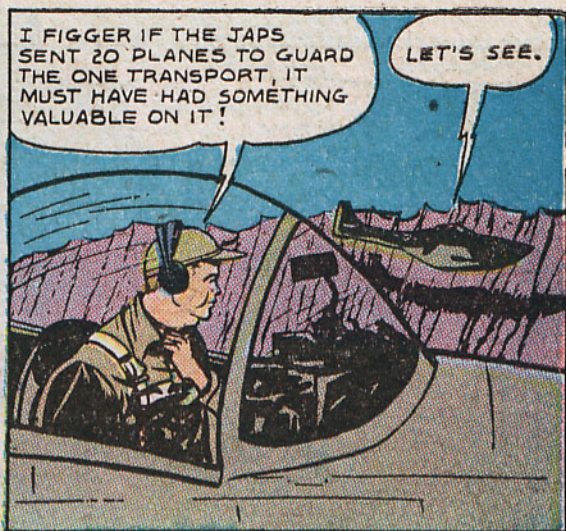
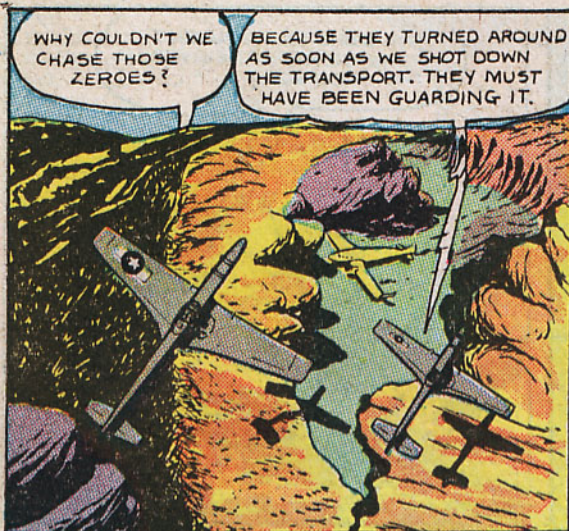


A SQUADRON OF ZEROS!

AND A BIG PLANE!







THE UNWARY GERMAN SUB RISES TO MEET THE PLANES.

ACH! - DER PLANES IS ON TIME.



THE GENERALS COULDN'T COME SO WE'RE DELIVERING THE MESSAGE!



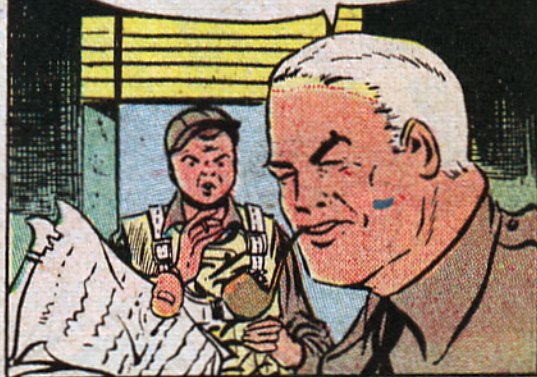
BACK AT HEADQUARTERS...

HERE'S THE INFORMATION WE PICKED UP FROM THE GERMAN AND JAP GENERALS, SIR!

LET ME LOOK THEM OVER, LT. WEST.



GENTLEMEN, THE INFORMATION IS SENSATIONAL! THE GENERALS WERE BOUND FOR THE RANCH OF DON JULIAN FORMOSO IN ARGENTINA... SOMETHING VERY IMPORTANT GOING ON THERE!



YOU'VE DONE A GREAT PIECE OF WORK IN GETTING THESE PAPERS... BUT IT IS ONLY HALF THE JOB. WE MUST FIND OUT WHAT THE GERMANS AND JAPS ARE DOING IN ARGENTINA!



I KNOW YOU FELLOWS HATE TO BREAK UP. BUT I WANT ONE OF YOU TO GO TO THE ANDES IN ARGENTINA.... TO THE RANCH OF DON JULIAN FORMOSO, FOR WHICH THE JAPS AND GERMANS WERE HEADED.

I'LL VOLUNTEER.

LATER!

SO LONG.
ME FOR SOME
SENORITAS.

AND INCIDENTALLY,
TO FIND OUT
WHAT THE NAZIS
ARE UP TO!

SETTING A COURSE THROUGH AFRICA, GIL FLIES THE LOWER ATLANTIC TO ARGENTINA.

ARGENTINA! I'LL STOP FOR
SOME GAS AND A LITTLE
CONVERSATION BEFORE I HIT
THE ANDES MOUNTAINS.

BUT GIL'S SLEUTHING IS SHORT FOR HE HAS
TO SPEED TO THE MYSTERIOUS RANCH.

BOY, THIS IS NO PLACE
FOR A PLANE TO
LAND.

THIS MUST BE DON
JULIAN'S RANCH. IT'S THE
ONLY ONE IN THE
MOUNTAINS!

I'LL PARK THE PLANE HERE
WHILE I WALK UP.

GIL DOES SOME "HOSS TRADING"

ALL I WANT TO DO IS
RENT THE BURRO, NOT
BUY HIM. I'LL GIVE
YOU TWO BUCKS.

ALL AMERICANS
RICH. I WANT
FOUR BITS.



HMMM---- GUARDS ? HOW
AM I GOING TO PASS
THEM ?



SOON THE GUARDS ARE REGALED BY A PRETTY SIGHT.

AH--A SENORITA !

PERHAPS---A
BEAUTIFUL
SENORITA.



AH, ROSY CHEEKS,
LIKE A BUDDING
ROSE !

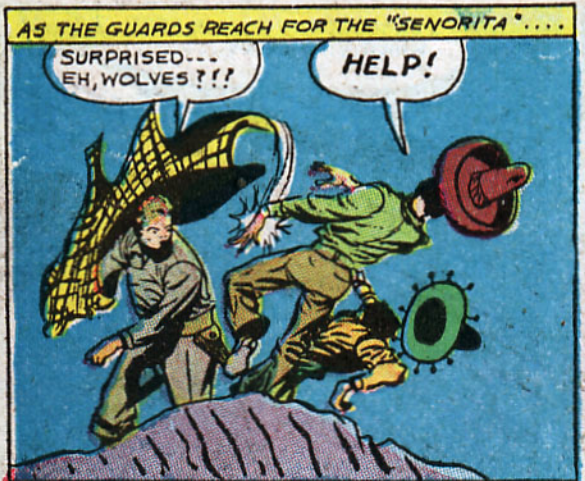
A PACK OF
ARGENTINA
WOLVES !



AS THE GUARDS REACH FOR THE "SENORITA"....

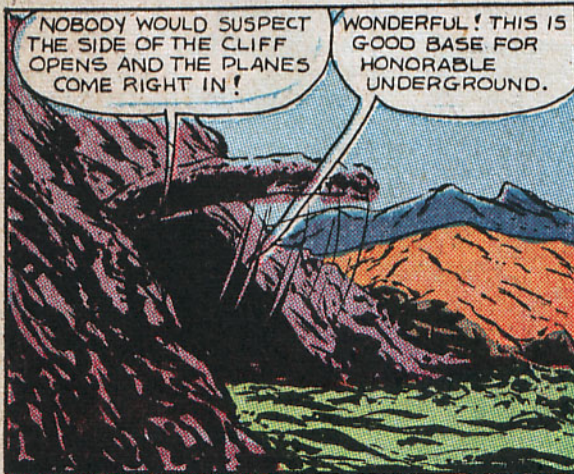
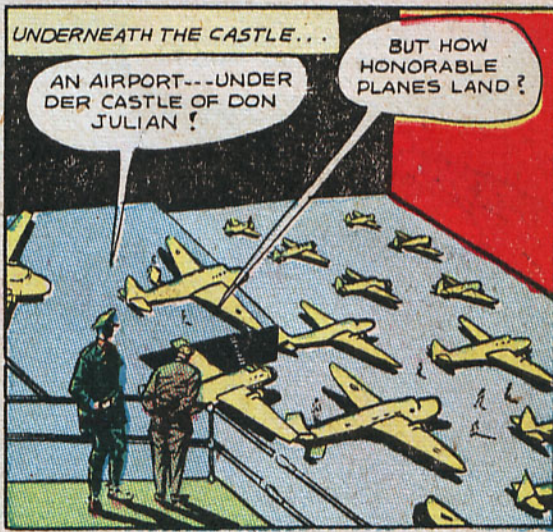
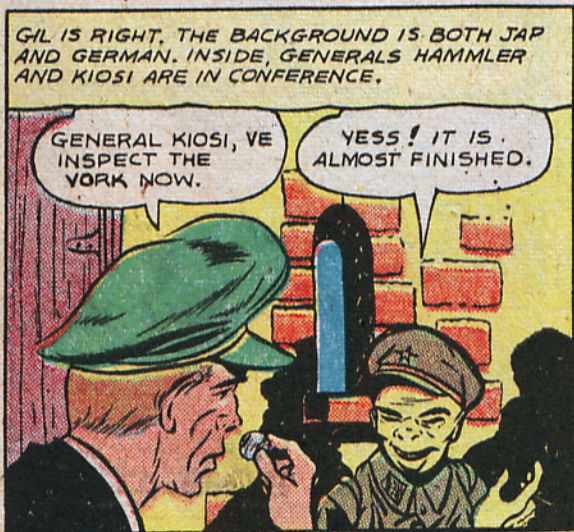
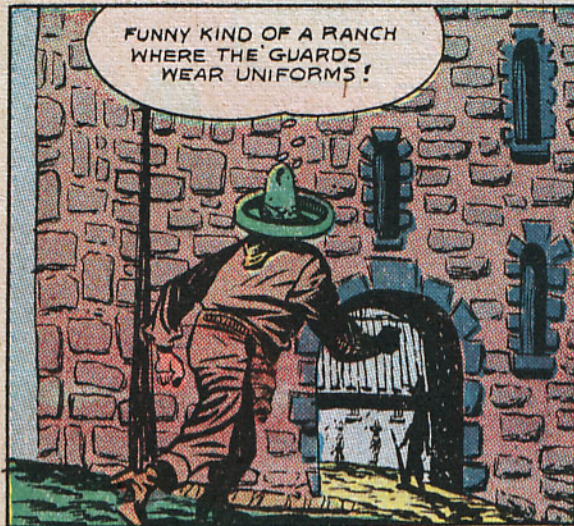
SURPRISED---
EH, WOLVES ???

HELP!



YOU'LL GO OVER THE
EDGE, TOO, AS SOON AS
I GET YOUR UNIFORM.





JUST AS THE TWO GENERALS PREPARE TO GO UP,
GIL COMES WANDERING IN.

OOPS!
PARDON ME!



YOU PIG--- DARE TO
TOUCH HONORABLE
GENERAL KIOSI!

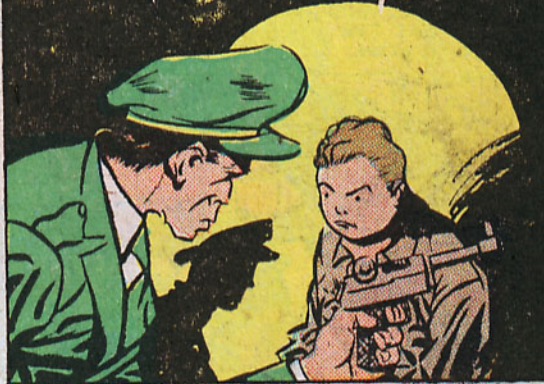


IT WAS AN ACCIDENT.
IF I WANTED TO TOUCH YOU,
IT WOULD BE LIKE THIS!



SCHWEINHUND!!
YOU STRIKE A
GENERAL?

I HOPE THEY
PROMOTE YOU...



SO I CAN STRIKE
A FIELD MARSHALL!



EIN AMERIKANER!



KILL HIM
IMMEDIATELY!

WAIT---
IT MUST NOT
BE AN
EASY DEATH!
TORTURE HIM!

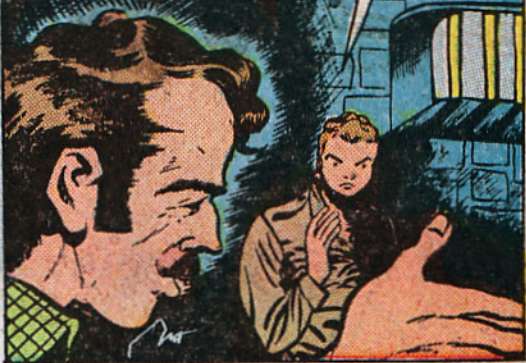


INSIDE, SHVINE...UNTIL WE
ARE READY TO CUT YOU
IN LITTLE PIECES!



WELCOME, STRANGER.
MY NAME IS CAPTAIN
ROMERO, LATE OF
THE ARGENTINIAN
ARMY.

MY NAME IS GIL.
BUT I WON'T LIVE
LONG ENOUGH TO
MAKE YOUR
ACQUAINTANCE!



I TRUST YOU ARE IN
PRISON FOR THE SAME
REASON AS I - HATING
THE TYRANTS!

RIGHT THE FIRST
TIME. HOW DID YOU
GET HERE?



AT DON JULIAN'S REQUEST, A DETACHMENT
OF SOLDIERS WAS SENT HERE. WHEN I SAW
GERMANS HAMMLER AND KIOSI, THE FOUL JAP-
GERMAN TWINS IN COMMAND, I TOLD MY MEN
THE TRUTH...THAT IN THE END, WE WILL ALL BE
THEIR SLAVES. BEFORE I COULD CONVINCE MY
MEN TO TAKE THE TRAITORS
PRISONER, I WAS SEIZED
AND PUT HERE. I WILL BE
TORTURED AND THEN
KILLED!

CAN YOU
TRUST ANY OF
YOUR MEN NOW?

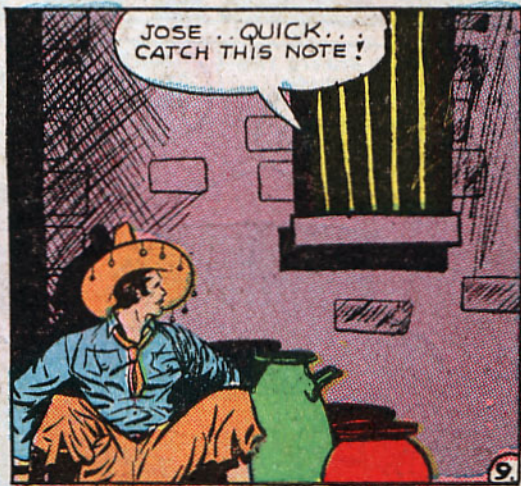


I CAN TRUST JOSE.
WHAT DO YOU WANT
OF HIM?

IF HE WILL HELP I'VE
WRITTEN DIRECTIONS
ON THIS PAPER THAT
WILL SAVE US!



JOSE...QUICK...
CATCH THIS NOTE!



DO YOU THINK JOSE IS FAITHFUL OR WILL HE TURN US IN?

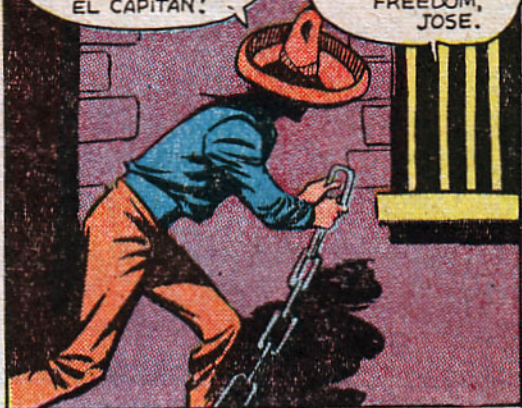
I DON'T KNOW. HE SEIZED THE NOTE AND DISAPPEARED.



BUT IN A FEW MINUTES ...

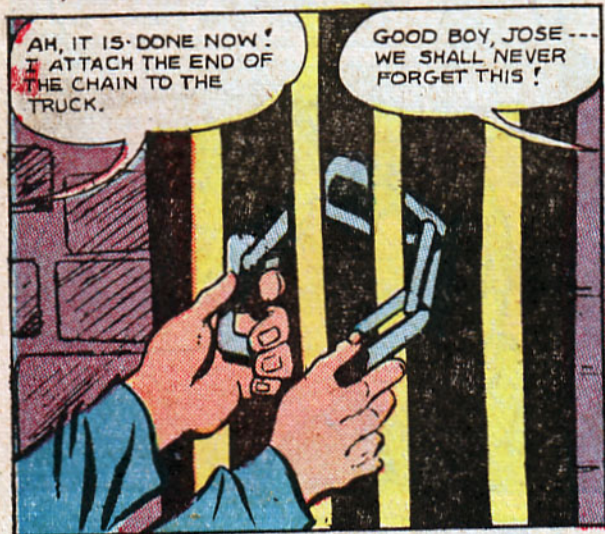
I WILL FREE YOU FROM THE ENEMIES, EL CAPITAN!

YOU ARE STRIKING A BLOW FOR FREEDOM, JOSE.



AH, IT IS DONE NOW! I ATTACH THE END OF THE CHAIN TO THE TRUCK.

GOOD BOY, JOSE --- WE SHALL NEVER FORGET THIS!



BUT AT THAT MOMENT...

GREAT PLEASURE GENERAL HAMMLER

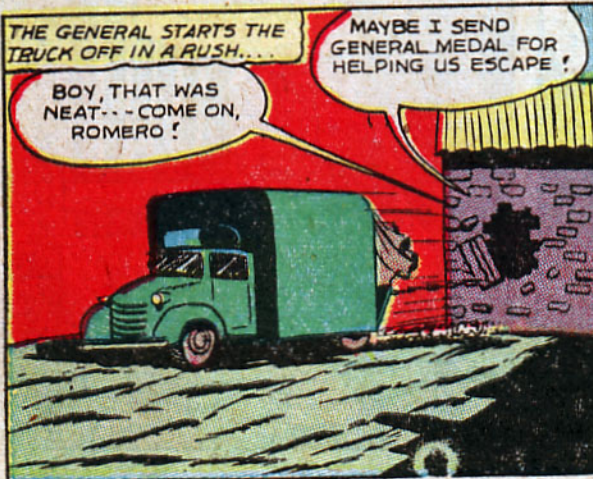
I WILL DRIVE YOU AROUND THE GROUNDS, GENERAL KIOSI.



THE GENERAL STARTS THE TRUCK OFF IN A RUSH....

BOY, THAT WAS NEAT--- COME ON, ROMERO!

MAYBE I SEND GENERAL MEDAL FOR HELPING US ESCAPE!



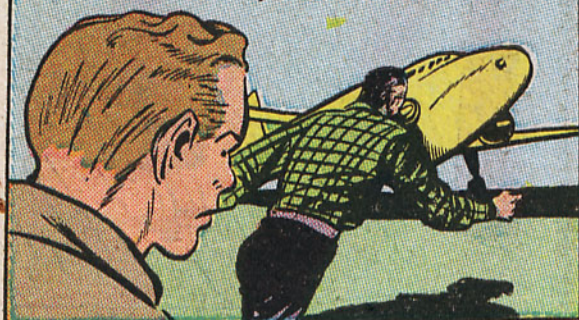
FOLLOW ME, ROMERO. I HAVE A PLAN.

WE ARE ENTERING THE LION'S MOUTH. DO YOU THINK WE WILL CHOKE THE LION?

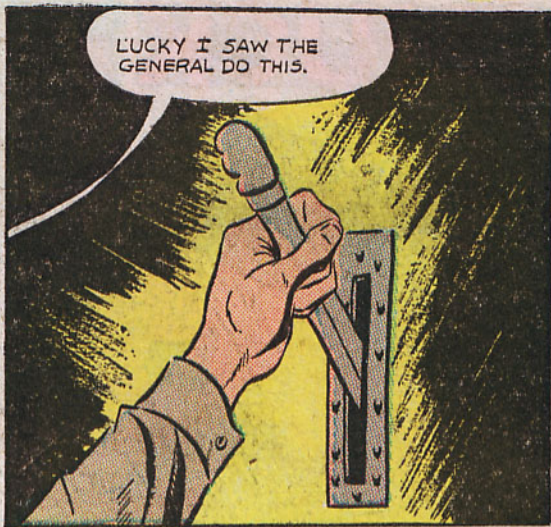


GIL HAS NOT GONE INSANE. KNOWING HE CANNOT ESCAPE IN THE OPEN, HE HEADS DOWN TO THE UNDERGROUND AIRPORT.

RUN, ROMERO, FOR THE FIRST PLANE! I'LL OPEN THE GATE.

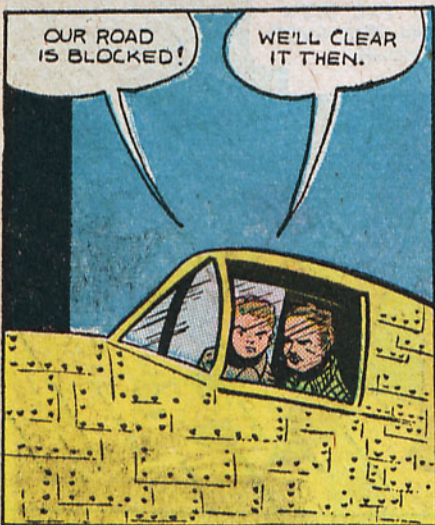


LUCKY I SAW THE GENERAL DO THIS.



OUR ROAD IS BLOCKED!

WE'LL CLEAR IT THEN.



THIS WILL CLEAR THE ROAD! NOW, ROMERO, START UP THIS SHIP... WE'RE CLEARING OUT!



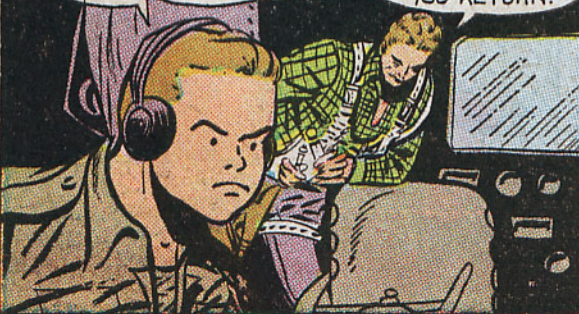
THAT TAKES CARE OF THE PLANES. THEY'LL NEVER BE REPAIRED IN TIME TO STOP US.



SAFE FROM PURSUIT, GIL LAYS PLANS FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF THE UNDERGROUND ENEMY.

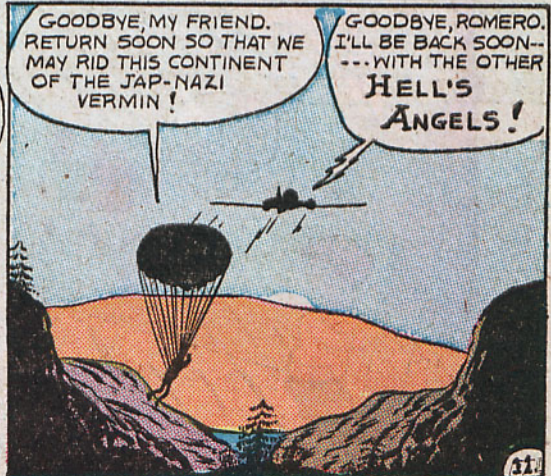
I'M GOING TO RADIO THE HELL'S ANGELS TO COME AND CLEAN OUT THAT MESS OF UNDERGROUND RATS!

I MUST DROP OFF. I MUST LEAD MY OWN PEOPLE AGAINST THE AXIS FORCES UNTIL YOU RETURN.

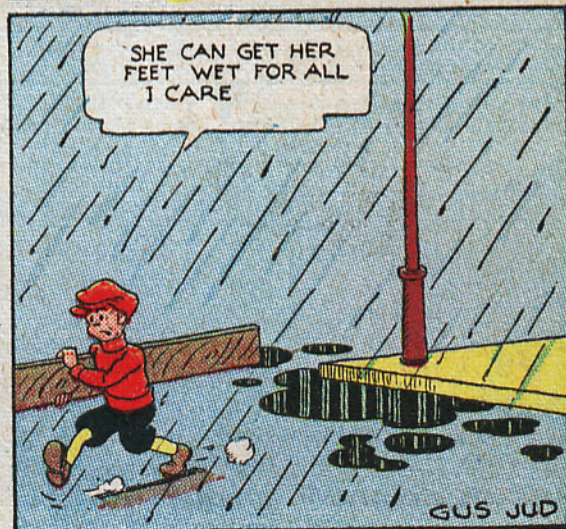
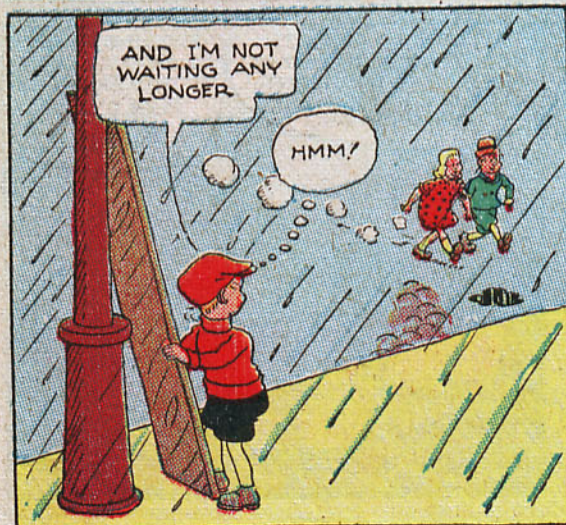
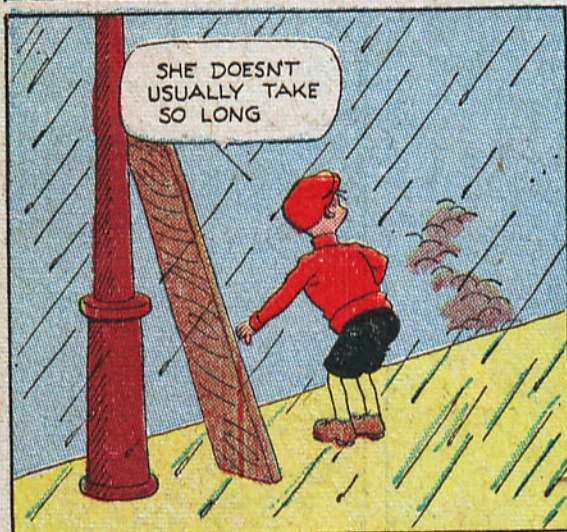
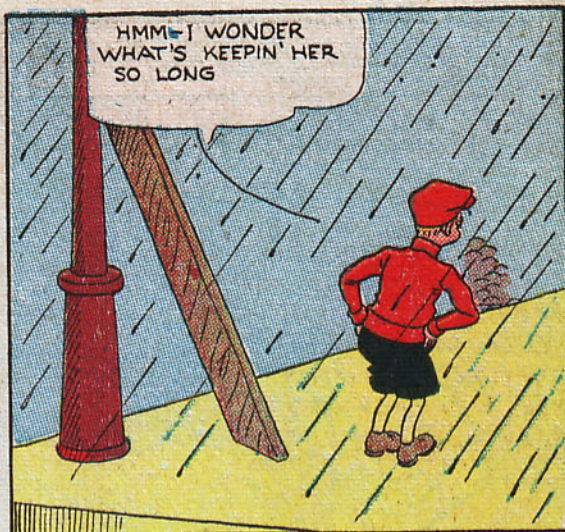
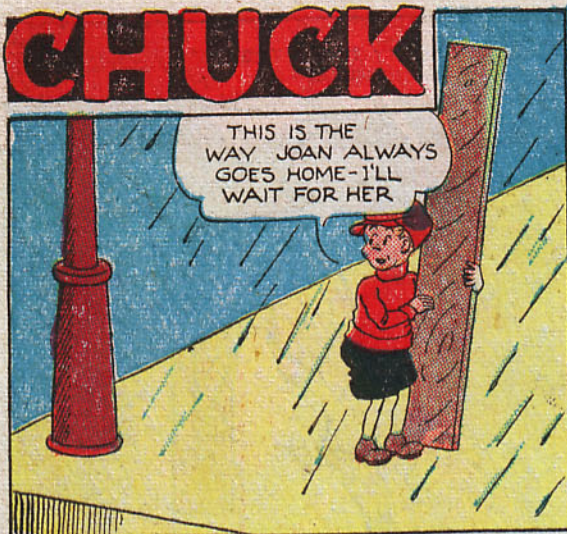


GOODBYE, MY FRIEND. RETURN SOON SO THAT WE MAY RID THIS CONTINENT OF THE JAP-NAZI VERMIN!

GOODBYE, ROMERO. I'LL BE BACK SOON--...WITH THE OTHER HELL'S ANGELS!



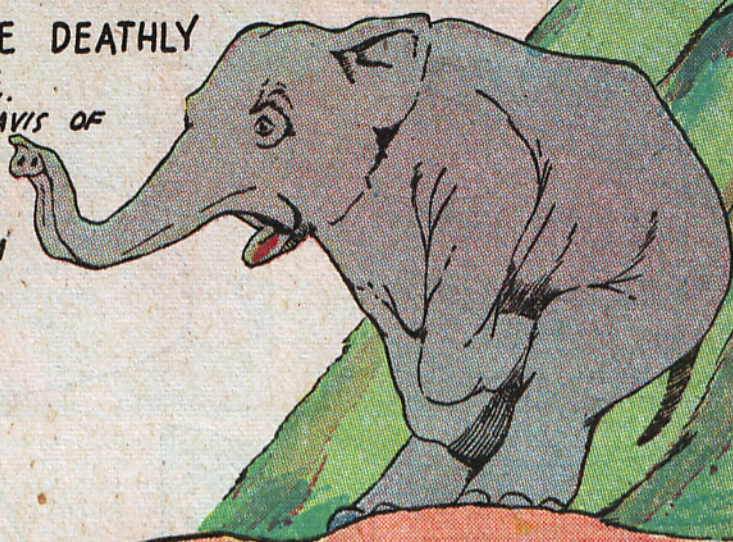
CHUCK



DEBUNKER

ELEPHANTS ARE DEATHLY
AFRAID OF MICE.

LAWRENCE DAVIS OF
BARNUM BAILEY, SAYS
REGARDING ELEPHANTS:
"THEY HAVE NO FEAR
FOR MICE. BUT HAVE A
FEAR, FOR TIGERS."



CARBOLIC ACID IS
NOT AN ACID BUT AN
ALCOHOL.



ONLY MALE ELEPHANTS
HAVE TUSKS.

NO! FEMALE AFRICAN ELEPHANTS OF-
TEN HAVE THEM. THE FEMALE TUSKS
ARE SMALLER THAN THE MALE.



BABIES ARE THE SAME COLOR
AS THE PARENTS.

CHILDREN OF BLACKEST AFRICA ARE
BORN WHITE - WHEN A YEAR OLD THEY
ARE BROWN AND ONLY WHEN FULL
GROWN DO THEY REACH THE DARKEST COLOR.

ALI-BABA

OH! RUGMAN!
OH RUGMAN!
I'M SURE THAT YOU'LL LIKE HER,
THIS BEAUTIFUL RUG-- MADE
FRESH FROM A **TIGER**!

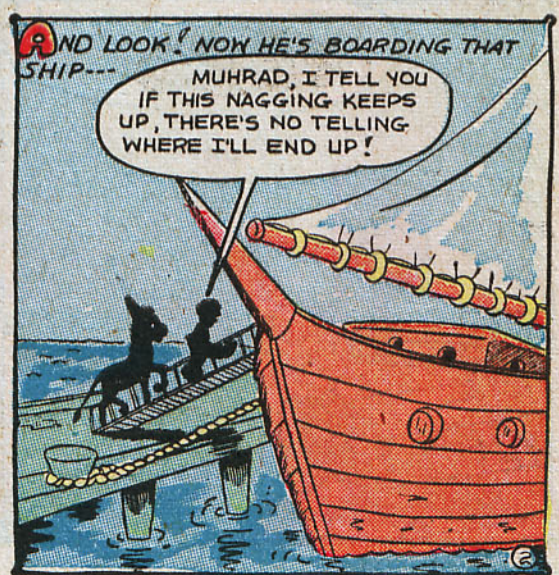
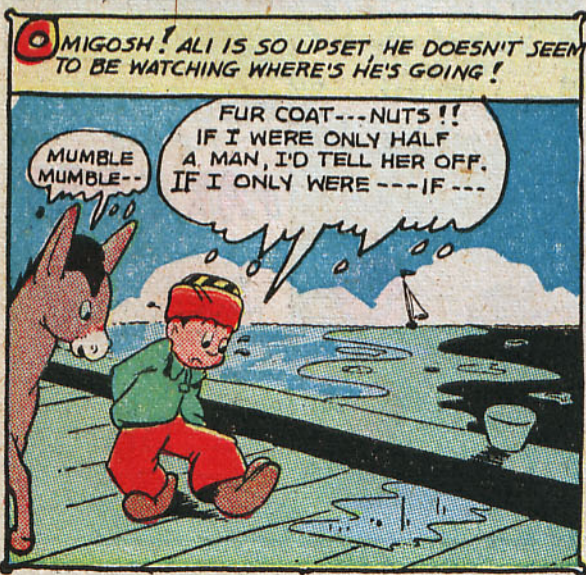
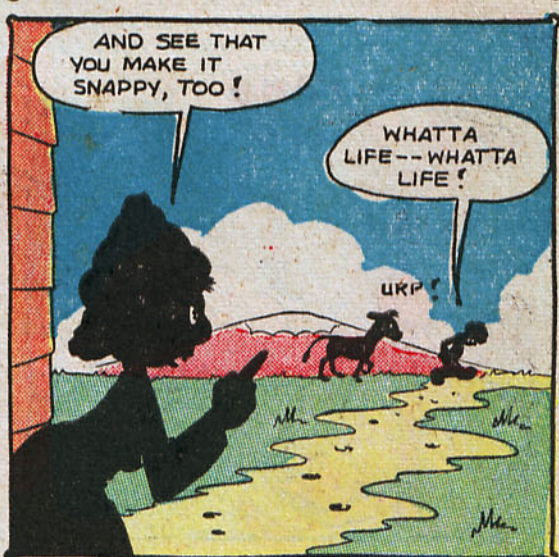
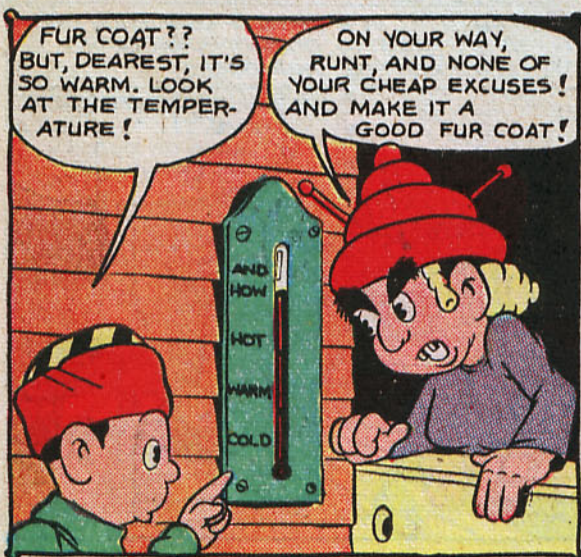
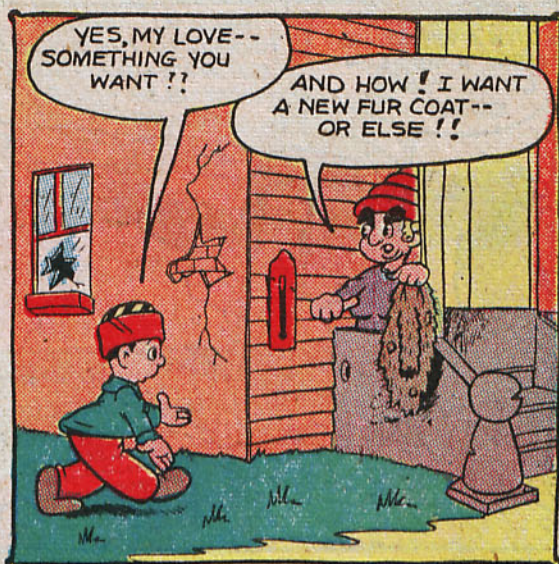
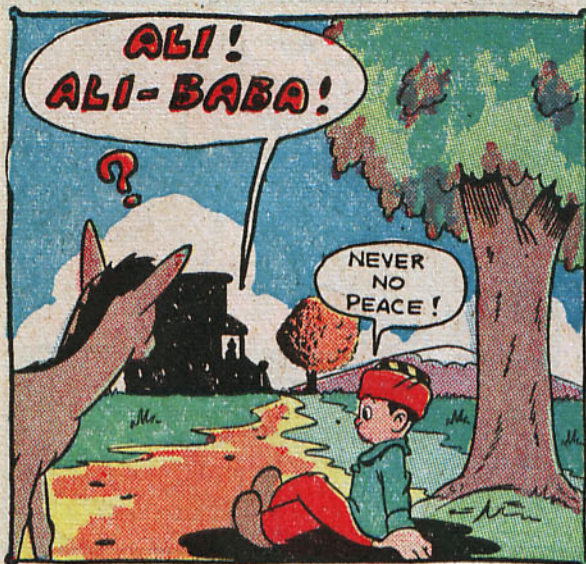
OF THIS SKIN YOU WOULD SELL
I AM FORCED TO TELL
THAT A BODY INSIDE IS BLOOMIN'
IT HAS HANDS AND FEET---
AND TO BE DISCREET,
THE BODY INSIDE IS HUMAN.

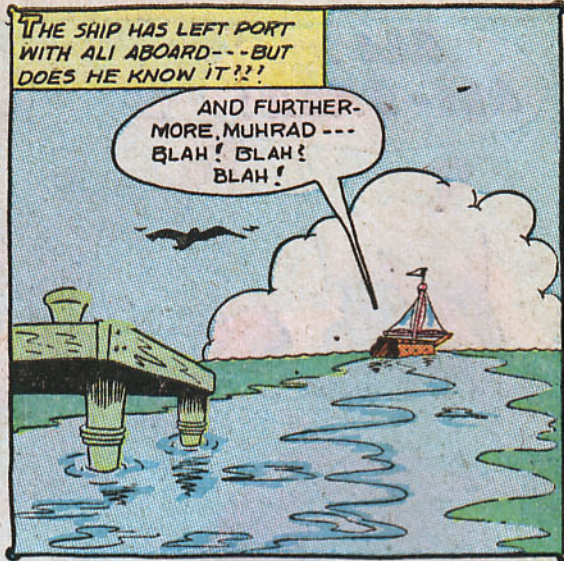
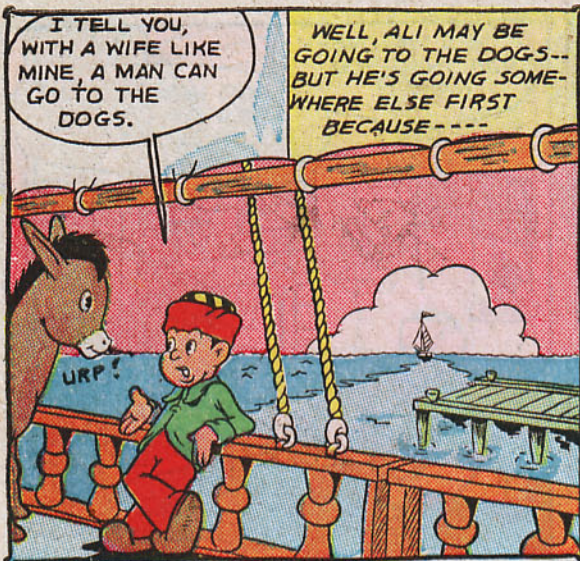
THE FAR EAST
TRADING POST
WE BUY AND
SELL EVERYTHING
--WELL, ALMOST--

THAT'S WHAT
I'VE BEEN TRYIN' TO
TELL HIM ALL
ALONG!

by
HARRY
LAZARUS

AIN'T IT THE TRUTH, THO'? EVERYTHING SEEMS TO HAPPEN TO ALI BABA. BUT YOU
HAVEN'T SEEN ANYTHING YET! -- JUST FOLLOW ALI, FOR A THRILLING ADVENTURE. . . .

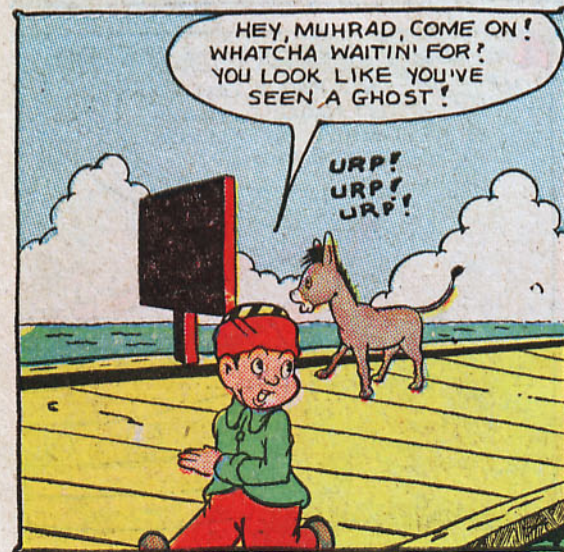




THIS WENT ON FOR DAYS AND DAYS AND NOW WE SEE THE SHIP ARRIVING AT ITS DESTINATION....



BUT ALI, STILL IN A STATE OF CONFUSION OVER HIS WIFE'S NAGGING, DOESN'T KNOW OF HIS TRAVELS WHEN THE SHIP DOCKS.



BUT IS HE
SORRY ??
NOT YET !!

GOSH--INDIA!
THIS IS WONDERFUL!
COME ON, MUHRAD, LET'S
TAKE A LOOK
AROUND.

URP!

AND LATER IN THE MARKET PLACE----

GEE, ISN'T THIS
THRILLING?-- A REAL
SNAKE-CHARMER
AND EVERYTHING!

URP!

BOY, THEY'VE GOT
EVERYTHING HERE!
AND THAT RUG SHOP
GIVES ME AN IDEA.

POTS
AND
STUFF

FINE
IMPORTED
RUGS

I'LL GET THE LITTLE
WOMAN A GENUINE IMPORT-
ED RUG. SHE CAN MAKE
A COAT OUT OF IT.

OUR RUGS
ARE
RUGGED

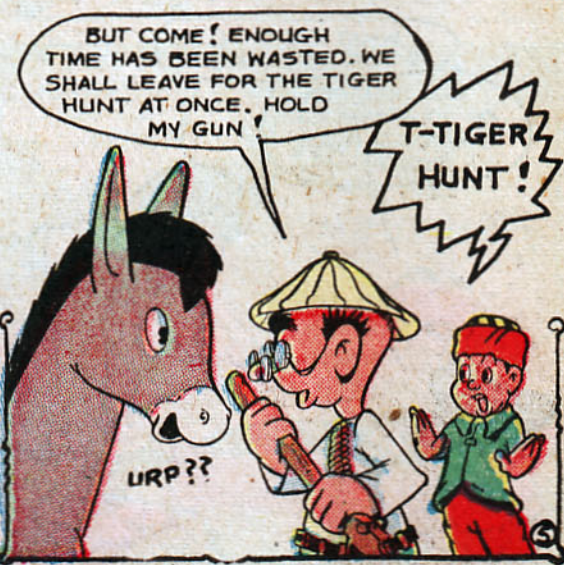
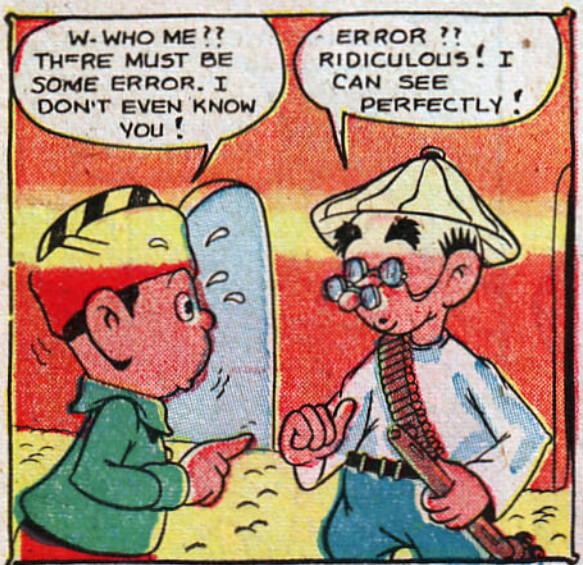
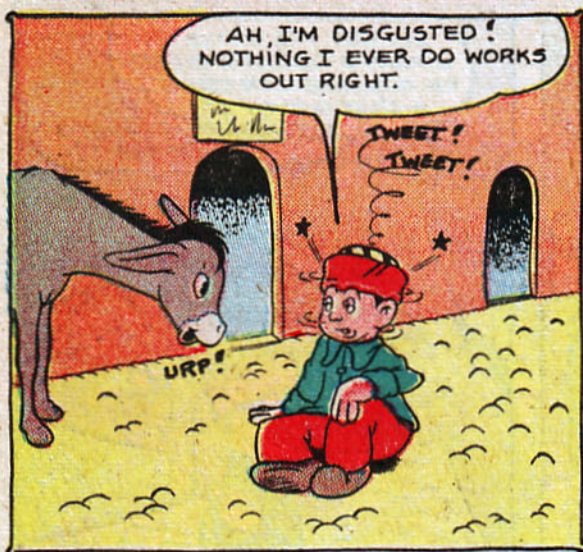
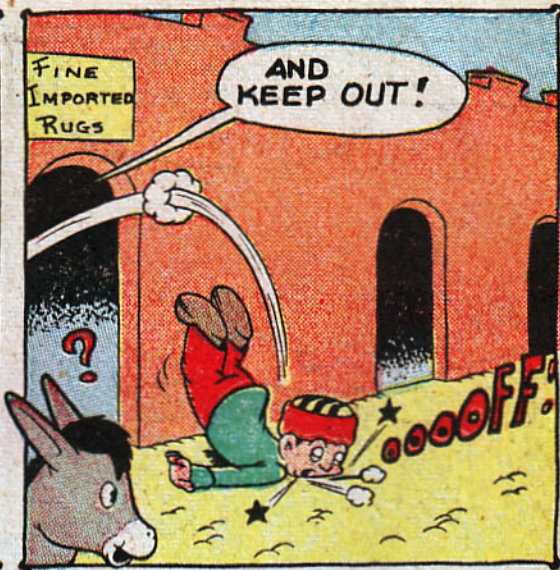
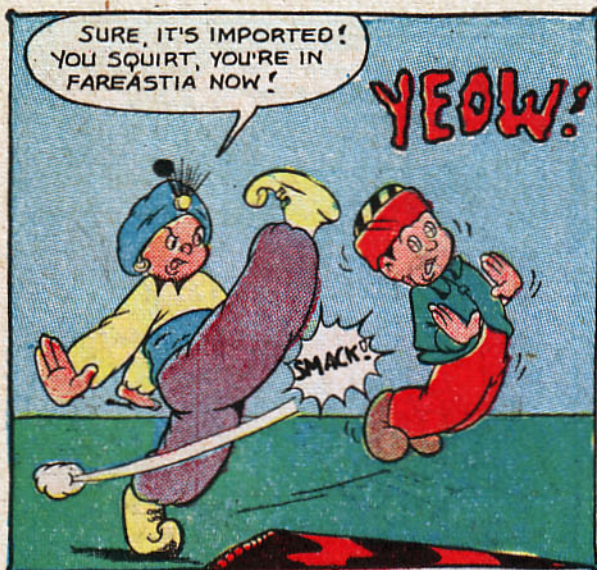
WHAT CAN I DO
FOR YOU, SAHIB?

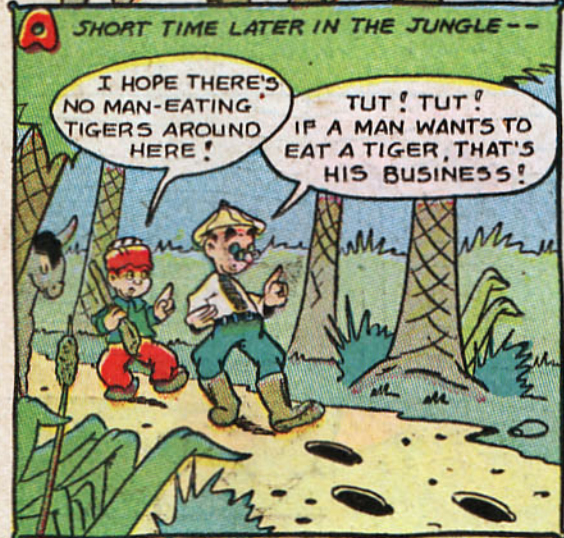
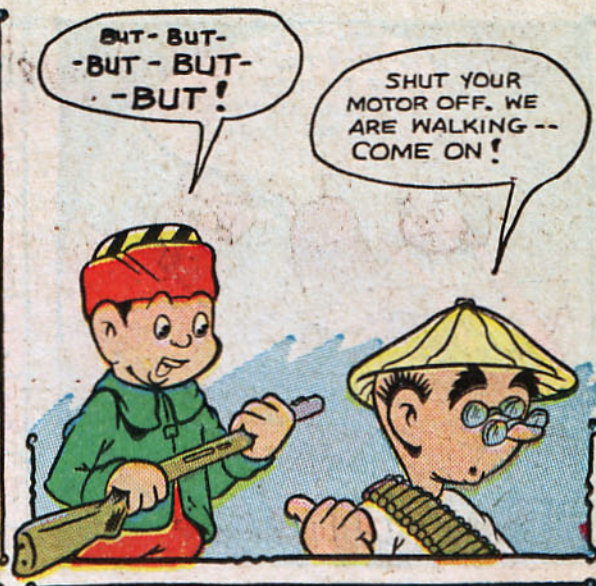
I'LL TAKE ONE
OF YOUR FINEST
IMPORTED RUGS,
SHORTY.

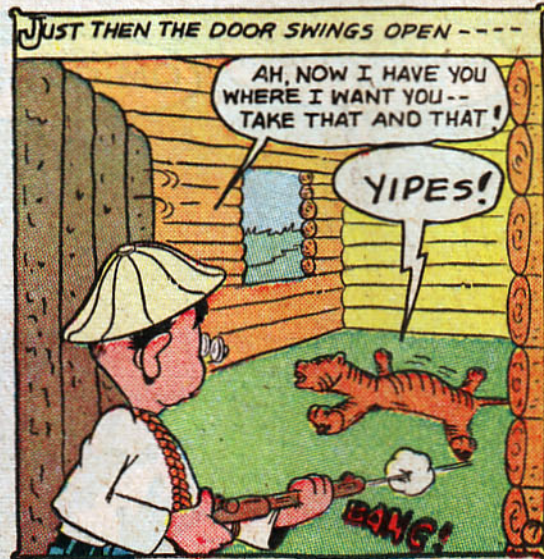
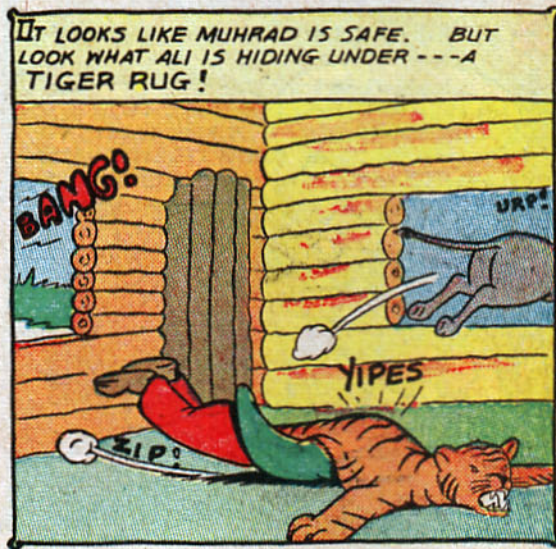
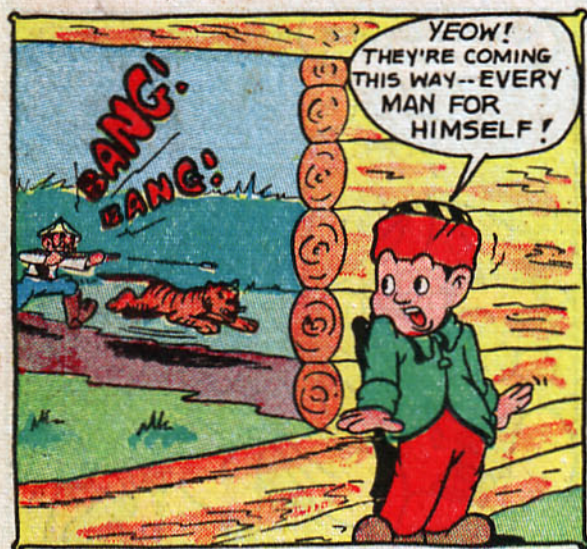
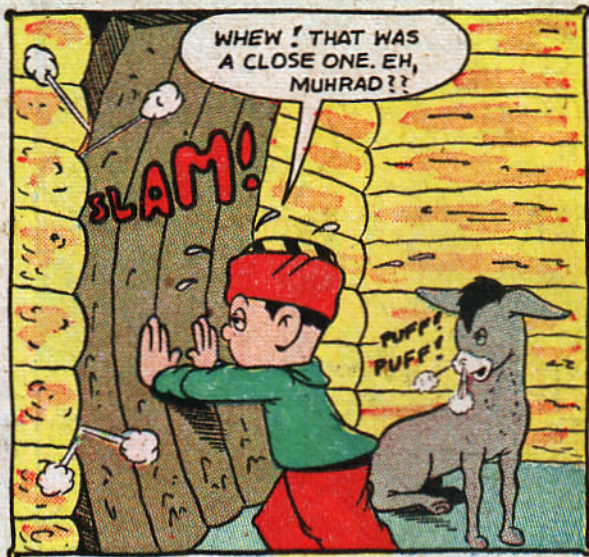
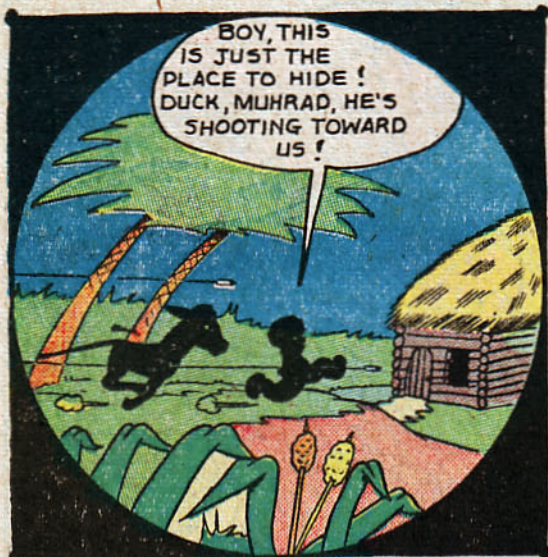
YOUR IMPORTED RUG, SAHIB!

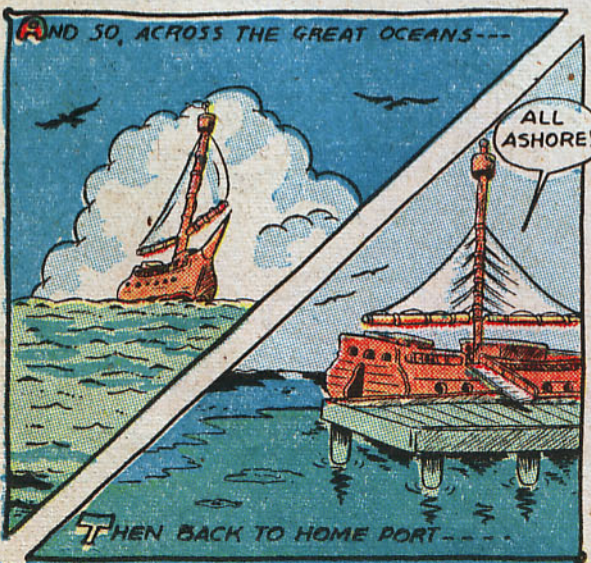
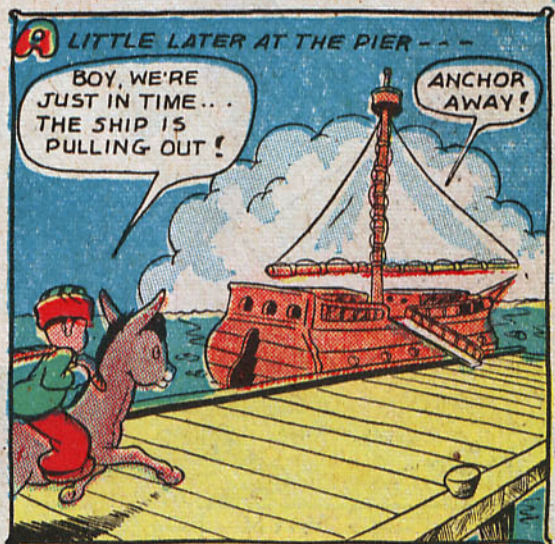
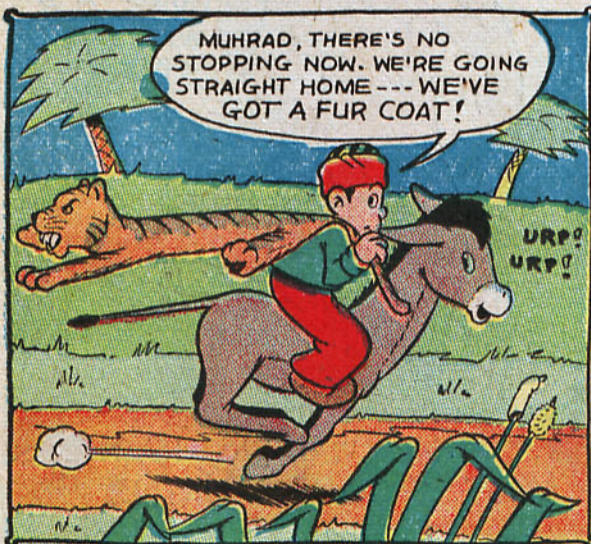
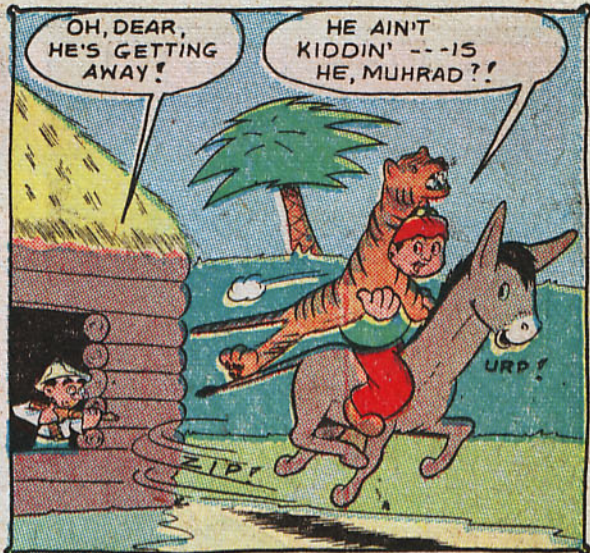
WHY YOU LOW-
DOWN CHEAT! THIS
AIN'T IMPORTED
IT'S MADE WHERE
I COME FROM!

DIRECT
FROM
ARABIA









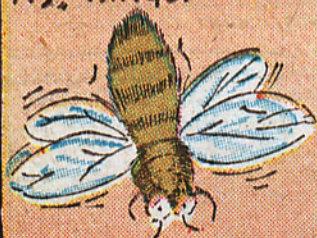
DEBUNKER

SNAKES SWALLOW THEIR
YOUNG WHEN IN DANGER.

THE BELIEF THAT A MOTHER SNAKE OPENS
HER MOUTH AND THE
YOUNG ONES WILL
WIGGLE INSIDE IS
DEBUNKED BY
DR. RAY DITMARS
"THE MOTHER OPENS
HER MOUTH
OVER A SNAKE
HOLE AND THE
YOUNG SLIP
INTO THE
HOLE."

THE SILKWORM
ISN'T REALLY
A WORM, BUT
A CATERPILLAR.

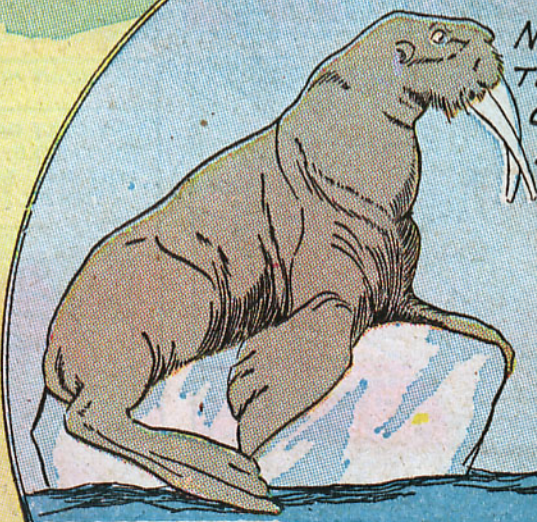
A BEE FLIES WITH
ITS WINGS.



IT FLIES BY SUCKING
AIR INTO VENTS IN ITS
BODY AND DISCHARGING
IT VIOLENTLY REARWARDS
USING ITS WINGS ONLY AS
GLIDER SURFACES.

THE WALRUS IS THE
MOST VICIOUS ANIMAL.

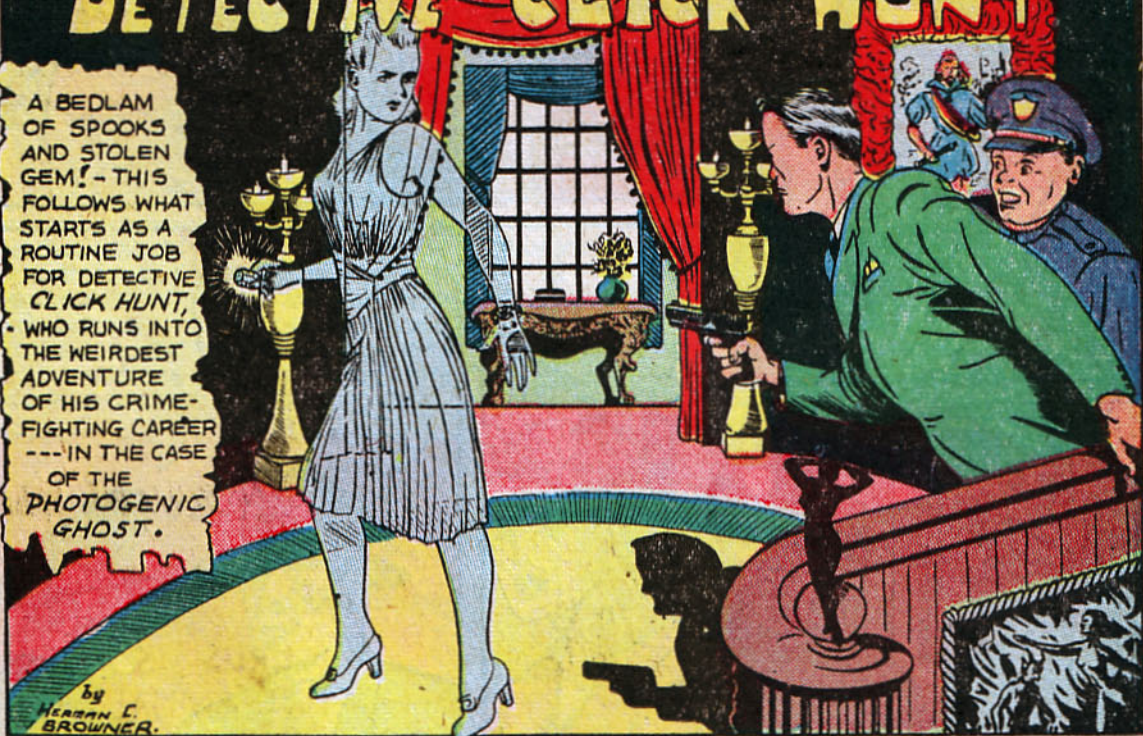
NO-IT IS VERY
TIMID AND WANTS
ONLY TO BE
LEFT ALONE.



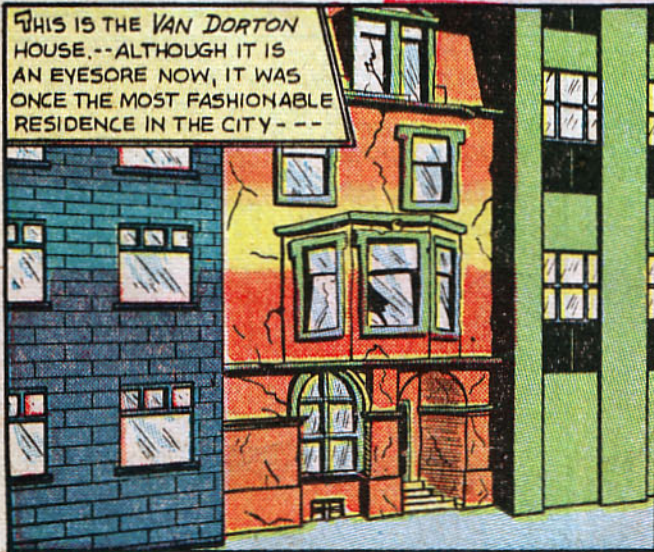
STOLEN GEMS AND SPOOKS SOLVED BY DETECTIVE CLICK HUNT

A BEDLAM OF SPOOKS AND STOLEN GEM! - THIS FOLLOWS WHAT STARTS AS A ROUTINE JOB FOR DETECTIVE CLICK HUNT, WHO RUNS INTO THE WEIRDEST ADVENTURE OF HIS CRIME-FIGHTING CAREER --- IN THE CASE OF THE PHOTOGENIC GHOST.

by
HERMAN E. BROWNER.

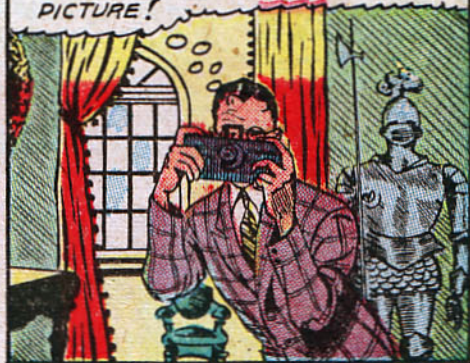


THIS IS THE VAN DORTON HOUSE.--ALTHOUGH IT IS AN EYESORE NOW, IT WAS ONCE THE MOST FASHIONABLE RESIDENCE IN THE CITY---



AND THIS IS ELMER VAN DORTON, THE LAST OF THE VAN DORTONS, AND SOLE OCCUPANT OF THE OLD MANSION, EXCEPT-

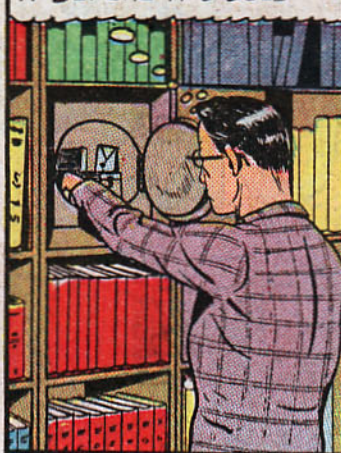
THE GHOST! I THINK I HEAR HER FOOTSTEPS! MAYBE I CAN CATCH HER OFF-GUARD THIS TIME AND GET HER PICTURE!



AW, SHUCKS, SHE'S GONE! FOR YEARS I'VE BEEN TRYING TO GET A PICTURE OF THAT GHOST AND EVERY TIME I THINK I'VE CAUGHT UP WITH HER, SHE DISAPPEARS. --- HOW AM I EVER GOING TO CONVINCE PEOPLE I REALLY HAVE A GHOST IN MY HOME? ---



I BETTER TAKE A SHOT OF MY RARE DIAMOND IF I WANT A PICTURE OF IT BEFORE IT'S SOLD ---



AND OUTSIDE ---

BEGORRA! WHAT A GIRL! SURE, AN' SHE LOOKS LIKE SOMETHING OUTTA HOLLYWOOD!



WHY, PATROLMAN MURPHY! AT YOUR AGE!



YOU CAN SEE THAT PLATINUM BLONDE ANY NIGHT AT THE RAZZLE-DAZZLE. SHE WORKS THERE. HER NAME'S MYRNA MIST.

SURE NOW, AN' I AIN'T REALLY INTERESTED. --- WHAT BRINGS YOU DOWN TO MY BEAT, DETECTIVE HUNT?

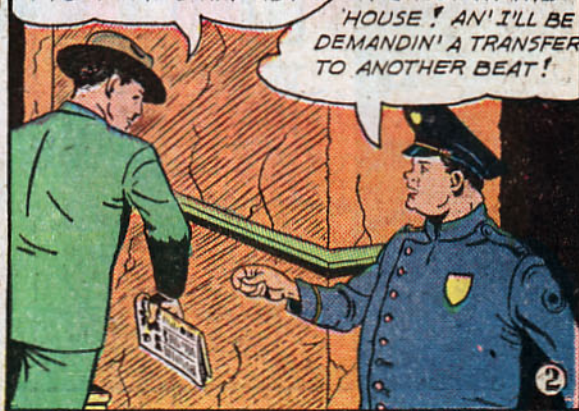


I READ IN TODAY'S PAPER THE RARE DORTON DIAMOND WAS TO BE BROUGHT DOWN AND SOLD. NEWS LIKE THAT IS A COME-ON FOR EVERY CROOK IN TOWN ---



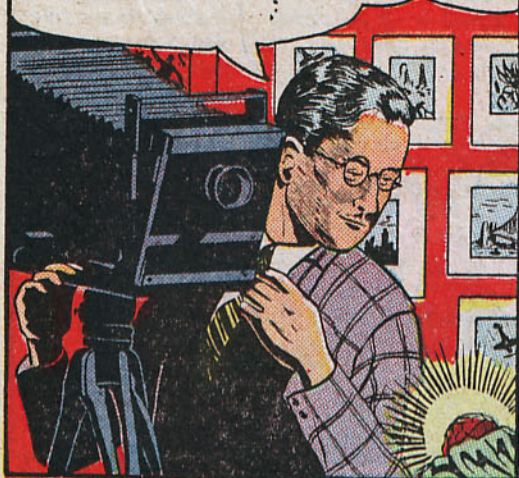
SO YOU GONNA GIVE ELMER POLICE PROTECTION, EH? FUNNY, BUT EVERYBODY THOUGHT THAT DIAMOND WAS JUST A MYTH, LIKE THAT GHOST O' HIS!

THAT'S WHY NO JEWEL THIEF EVER INVESTIGATED -- BUT NOW THEY KNOW HE ACTUALLY DOES OWN A 76 KARAT DIAMOND.



SURE, AN' THE NEXT THING WE'LL FIND OUT IS THAT HE REALLY HAS A GHOST IN THE HOUSE! AN' I'LL BE DEMANDIN' A TRANSFER TO ANOTHER BEAT!

A 30-SECOND TIME EXPOSURE
SHOULD DO THE TRICK ---- NOW
WHO CAN THAT BE ?

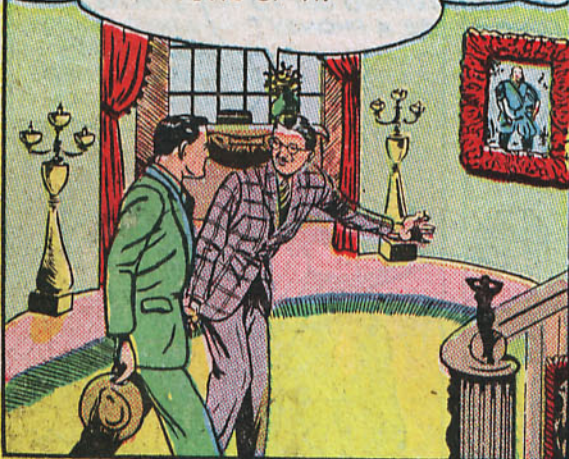


MR. VAN DORTON, I'M
DETECTIVE CLICK HUNT.
I'M GOING WITH YOU TO
THE DIAMOND BROKER.
YOU CAN'T RISK CARRY-
ING A GEM LIKE THAT
THROUGH THE STREETS
UNPROTECTED.

HMM, YOU'RE RIGHT,
OF COURSE, THOUGH
I HADN'T THOUGHT
OF IT. ABSENT-
MINDED, YOU KNOW--
RUNS IN THE FAMILY.
COME IN --- AND
THANK YOU--

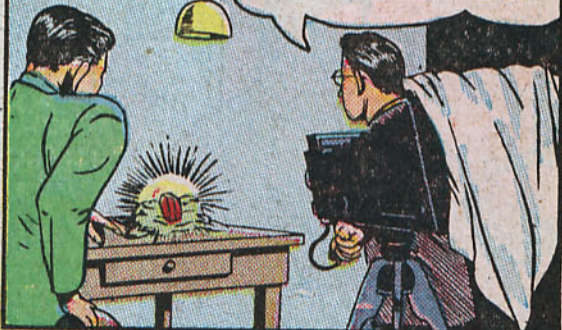


THIS WAY, DETECTIVE HUNT. THE STONE
IS IN MY STUDIO ---- I'M TAKING A
PICTURE OF IT.



SO, THAT'S THE
LEGENDARY VAN
DORTON DIAMOND ?
QUITE A CHUNK
OF ICE !

HM, MUST BE
30 SECONDS
-- YES, IT REALLY
IS A SHAME TO
SELL IT, BUT PHOTO-
GRAPHY IS AN
EXPENSIVE HOBBY, AND
I DO NEED THE CASH.



WELL, THAT 76-KARAT
ROCK SHOULD BRING
YOU PLENTY OF
READY CASH !

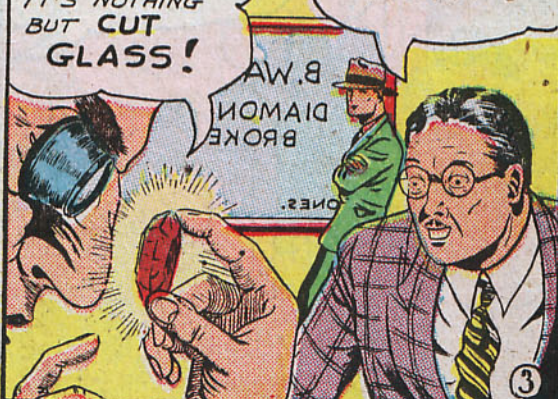
IT'S NEVER
BEEN APPRAISED,
BUT I'M SURE
IT'S WORTH AT
LEAST \$200,000.-!

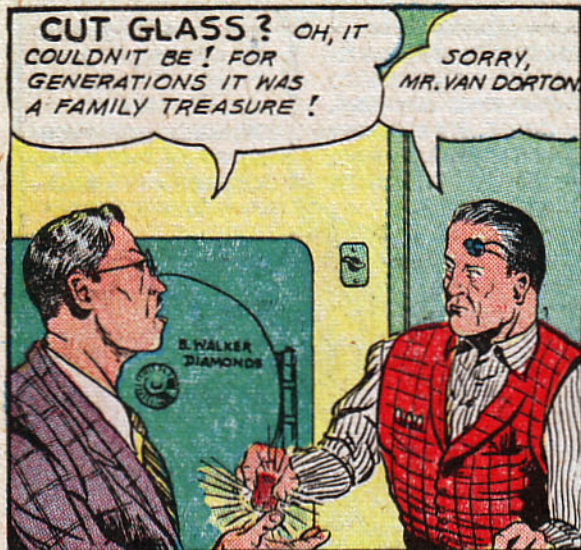


BUT A FEW MINUTES LATER AT THE DIAMOND
BROKER'S OFFICE ----

THIS IS NO
DIAMOND !
IT'S NOTHING
BUT CUT
GLASS !

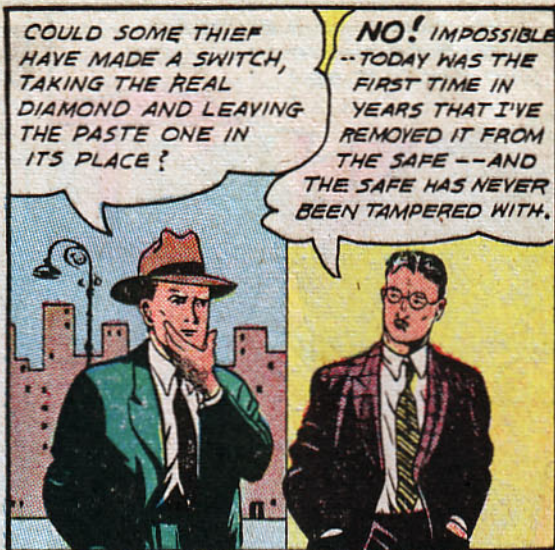
WHAT !





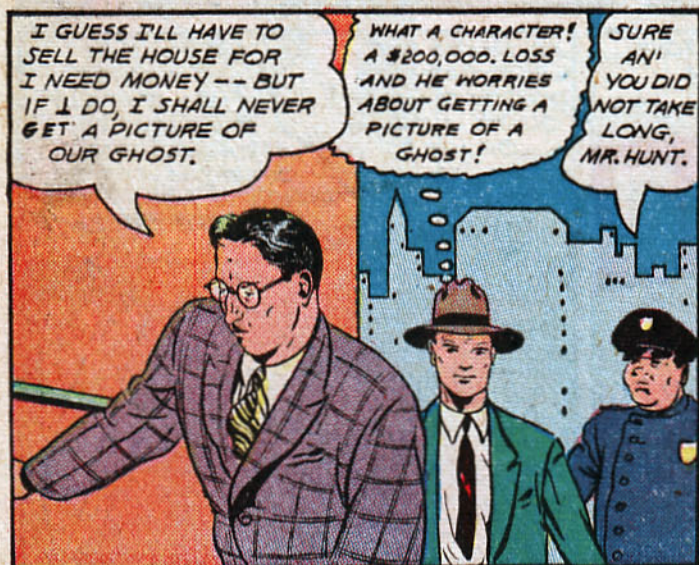
CUT GLASS? OH, IT COULDN'T BE! FOR GENERATIONS IT WAS A FAMILY TREASURE!

SORRY, MR. VAN DORTON



COULD SOME THIEF HAVE MADE A SWITCH, TAKING THE REAL DIAMOND AND LEAVING THE PASTE ONE IN ITS PLACE?

NO! IMPOSSIBLE -- TODAY WAS THE FIRST TIME IN YEARS THAT I'VE REMOVED IT FROM THE SAFE -- AND THE SAFE HAS NEVER BEEN TAMPERED WITH.



I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO SELL THE HOUSE FOR I NEED MONEY -- BUT IF I DO, I SHALL NEVER GET A PICTURE OF OUR GHOST.

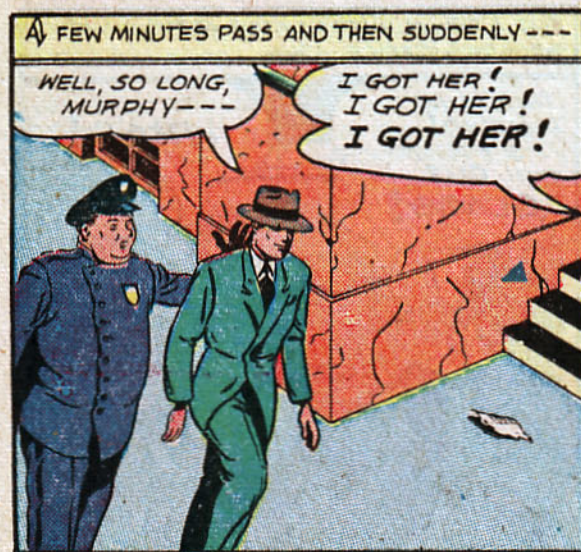
WHAT A CHARACTER! A \$200,000. LOSS AND HE WORRIES ABOUT GETTING A PICTURE OF A GHOST!

SURE AN! YOU DID NOT TAKE LONG, MR. HUNT.



POOR VAN DORTON GOT A NASTY SHOCK -- THE DIAMOND TURNED OUT TO BE A PHONEY!

SURE NOW AN! THAT'S TOO BAD. I ALWAYS LIKED TH' MON, THOUGH HE IS A BIT TOUCHED IN THE HEAD.



A FEW MINUTES PASS AND THEN SUDDENLY ---

WELL, SO LONG, MURPHY---

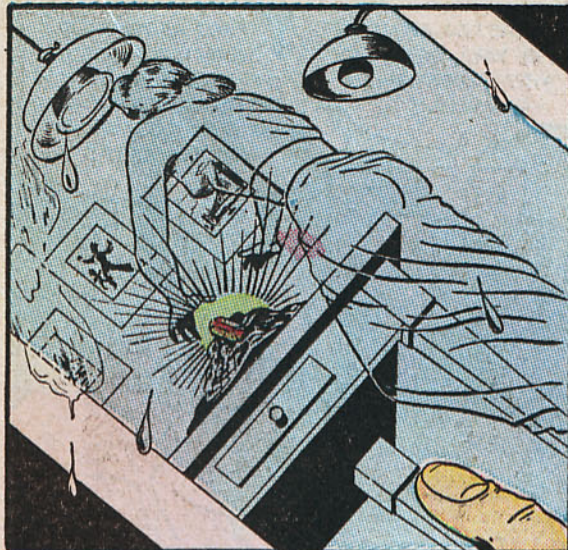
I GOT HER! I GOT HER! I GOT HER!



LOOK! THE GHOST! I GOT HER!

WHAT?

BEGORRA!



WHEN I LEFT THE DIAMOND TO ANSWER YOUR KNOCK, HUNT, MY CAMERA SHUTTER WAS OPEN --- THE GHOST PASSED THROUGH THE ROOM AND---

SURE AN' THIS IS TH' LAST TIME PATROLMAN MURPHY WALKS THIS BEAT!

WAIT A MINUTE!



I MUST PHONE THE NEWSPAPERS! THIS IS WONDERFUL!

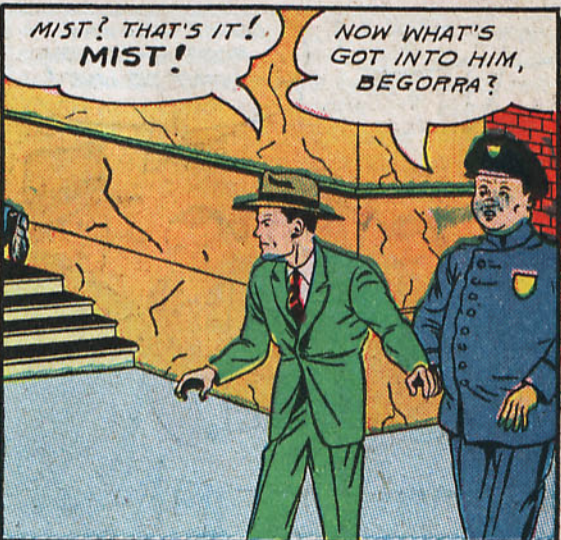
BUT, LISTEN- ANY PERSON CAUGHT LIKE THAT IN A TIME EXPOSURE IS GOING TO BE SUPERIMPOSED OVER THE BACKGROUND AND LOOKS TRANSPARENT--

THAT'S A SPOOK AWRIGHT. NOBODY BUT A GHOST COULD LOOK LIKE THAT - AS THIN AS MIST!

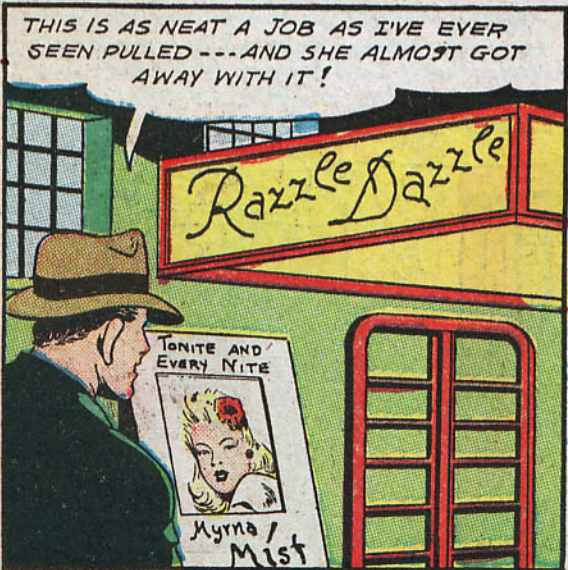


MIST? THAT'S IT! MIST!

NOW WHAT'S GOT INTO HIM, BEGORRA?



THIS IS AS NEAT A JOB AS I'VE EVER SEEN PULLED --- AND SHE ALMOST GOT AWAY WITH IT!

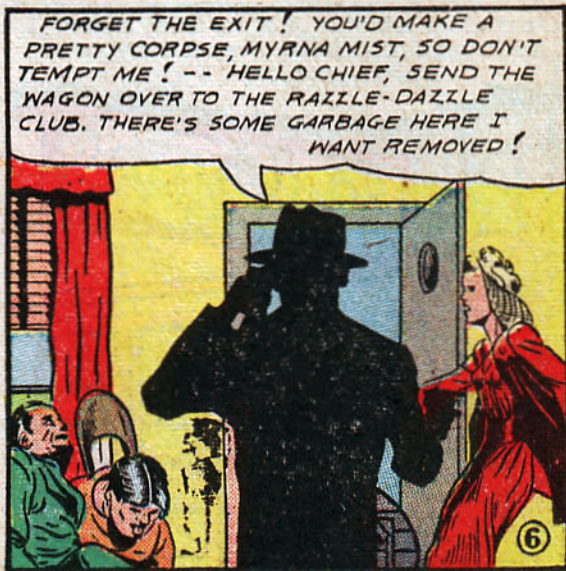


HEY! WE DON'T OPEN 'TIL SIX! YOU CAN'T COME IN HERE!

OH YES, I CAN!



CHECK ROOM



A LITTLE
LATER--

COME IN,
GENTLEMEN,
COME IN.

I BROUGHT
YOU A PRESENT,
ELMER.

SURE AN'
YOU GOT
A PLEASANT
SURPRISE
IN STORE,
MR. VAN DORTON.

HERE IS THE
GENUINE
DIAMOND.

BUT--BUT
I DON'T
UNDERSTAND--

YOU WILL
IN A
SECOND.

IT'S VERY SIMPLE. YOUR STONE WAS REAL,
BUT YOUR GHOST WASN'T. YOU SEE, MYRNA
MIST, A REAL LIFE WOMAN, SNEAKED INTO
YOUR HOUSE AND WHEN YOU LEFT YOUR
STUDIO TO LET ME IN, SHE SWITCHED THE
STONES ---BUT THE TIME EXPOSURE
CAUGHT HER IN THE ACT---

-- SHE KNEW THE LEGEND OF
THE GHOST, SO SHE WORE WHITE.
SHE FIGURED IF SHE WAS SEEN
YOU'D THINK HER THE SPOOK
AND NOT INTERFERE. I GOT WISE
WHEN I NOTICED YOUR GHOST'S
HAIR. THERE AREN'T MANY
PLATINUM BLONDES AROUND
ANY MORE.

I FER ONE
AM MIGHTY
GLAD YER
DIAMOND
TURNED
OUT TO BE
REAL AN'
YER GHOST
PHONEY!

SURE AN' I --
HOLY HANNIGAN!
WHAT'S THAT?!

THE GHOST!
ONLY THIS TIME
IT'S THE
REAL ONE!

MY CAMERA!
I'VE GOT TO GET
MY CAMERA!

LOOKS AS IF I'VE
A NEW MYSTERY
ON MY HANDS!

THE BAFFLING BIRD MYSTERY

The old owl blinked. What was happening in the bird world anyway? Yesterday one of the birds had come to him and asked him if he knew where Maybird was. This morning another bird had come to inquire if old owl would help find his friend the meadowwink bird. And then this afternoon, still another bird had asked the whereabouts of Reedbird.

So the old owl blinked again. Was it possible that so many birds were missing? If so, it was a shame—and old owl, who was supposed to be so wise . . . didn't know where to start to look for any of these missing birds!

The birds however wouldn't let him rest. "We must find our friends!" They chirped. Old owl thought of human beings and how they took fingerprints to keep track of everyone. But old owl knew that birds didn't have fingerprints and so couldn't keep such good records.

Old owl thought it might be a good idea to ask some questions. "Where did Maybird come from?" Old owl asked.

"He was journeying up from the great country of Brazil."

Old owl next asked: "Where did meadowwink come from?"

"He came from far away Brazil," was the answer.

That was curious, thought old owl. Both of the missing birds from the same land far away. So he said to another bird: "Where did Reedbird come from?"

And quick as a wink came the answer: "From Brazil."

That certainly was puzzling. Old owl thought for a long, long time after that; then he spoke to another bird. "I used to know a birdfellow by the name of whitewinged blackbird. He seemed to be a great traveler too, and knew a great deal. If I could only find him he might help me." Then he stopped. Come to think of it, whitewinged blackbird was also among the missing.

The bird to which old owl was speaking, said: "Yes, he too came from Brazil."

"I'll be blinked," blinked old owl winking first one eye and then the other. "They're all from Brazil—and they're all missing."

This was a mystery. How come all the birds which were missing, even old owl's friend, were from the warm country of Brazil, far, far to the south?

"Perhaps if I seek the answer among some of the animals they may inform me," old owl said, just before he gave up. But when he approached reddy fox, the fox laughed at him and jumped away. Old owl called down to a cat which slinked along, and when he had asked the cat the same question, the cat laughed and winked and slunk off also!

This was getting to be serious! Why did the animals laugh at him? Old owl began to believe that he wasn't as wise as he was supposed to be. So he went back to the great tree where he lived and sat down. The day was over and it was evening soon darkness would come. That meant another day gone by without solving this mystery.

It was then that a ladybug buzzed by and stopped to say goodnight to old owl. Desperate, old owl asked: "Why have all these birds that are missing, all come from Brazil? And why are all of them from Brazil the only ones missing?"

"Old owl, wake up!" ladybug whirled. "Haven't you found the answer at all? Whitewinged blackbird—reedbird—maybird—meadowwink— even ricebird too—which you say are missing—well, ALL OF THESE BIRDS ARE THE SAME FELLOW!"

Old owl jumped. It suddenly dawned upon him. Why, yes, that was so — this missing bird, for there was only one, had many names; best loved of his names was bobolink. And so old owl solved the mystery by learning that only one bird, with many names was missing; so from here on he would not have difficulty, because he would be looking for merely one bird!

"Things aren't so puzzling when we understand answers," old owl said.



WOMAN "KINGPIN" DEFIES TORTURERS

After their experiences with the brave women of Belgium, the Nazis got some new ideas of the so-called weaker sex.

Noted for being careful housewives, according to "News From Belgium," proud of the whiteness of their curtains and the gleam of their kitchen utensils, these women proved themselves to be fearless and splendid fighters throughout the German tyrannical rule of their homeland.

"And what is still more difficult," the Belgian publication continues, "the housewife turned underground battler, when caught, endured the worst tortures inflicted by the bloody Gestapo brutes, without opening her lips, without betraying a single patriot, ceaselessly running into danger. She never bragged, but she never hesitated."

A woman, for example, was the "kingpin" of the whole organization of "La Libre Belgique," the underground newspaper, that added new lustre to the brilliant name of its ancestor of World War I. Even now she is known only by her pen name, Mrs. Ruse.

Before the war, she was a "dazzlingly beautiful woman," now she is broken and white-haired. This change is not surprising, for throughout the German occupation Mrs. Ruse would meet her correspondents as if by chance at a store center, in a park, in the street. She would take their handwritten notes to her home, type them and

then deliver them to the editorial staff. Later, she would carry the dangerous copy to the typographers, and the set-up type to the printers. The paper was never printed in the same place two days in succession, but no one connected with it was more constantly exposed to capture by the Gestapo than Mrs. Ruse, and no one was so well acquainted with all the intricacies of the operation.

No wonder, then, that the Nazis were overjoyed when they finally captured her, months ago. Now they would find out all about "La Libre Belgique" and its staff, and liquidate them. But Mrs. Ruse kept her secrets. Eighteen times she was tortured, with all the sadistic ingenuity of which her captors were past masters. But she did not speak. At last the Gestapo gave up. They crammed the broken woman, along with 2,000 other patriotic prisoners, into a train destined for Germany. It never got there!

Belgian railway workers were on the alert. The train met with one delay after another. It took three whole days to cover a distance of about 20 miles. All available trackage and rolling stock was needed to rush troops and equipment to the breach in Germany's vaunted "Atlantic Wall." The prisoners — Mrs. Ruse among them — were returned to Brussels.

And there the advance of the Allied armies found and liberated them.

SCREWY SAMMY

I WONDER IF
MIKE'S POOL
PARLOR IS
STILL IN
BUSINESS...

MIKE'S
PLAC

HI YA
MIKE -
HOW'S
THINGS
?

THINGS ARE SO BAD
SAM, I'M THINKIN' OF
GOING OUT OF
BUSINESS..

NO
SALE

MAYBE I CAN
HELP YOU - I'LL
TELL YOU
WHAT I'LL
DO WITH
YOU, PAL -

I'M ALL
EARS
!

I'LL BET YOU
FIVE DOLLARS
I CAN KNOCK
EVERY BALL IN
ALL SIX POCKETS
IN ONE SHOT -

ARE YOU
KIDDING ? -
I'LL BET YOU
FIVE BUCKS
YOU CAN'T!

IT'S A BET -
HERE
GOES!

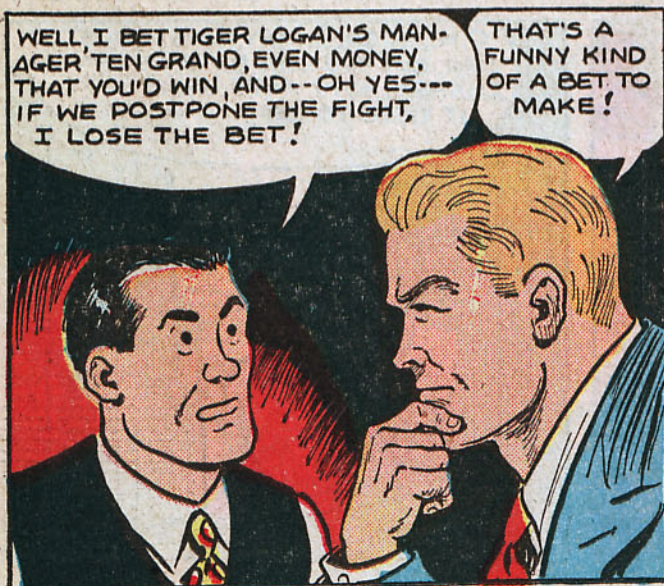
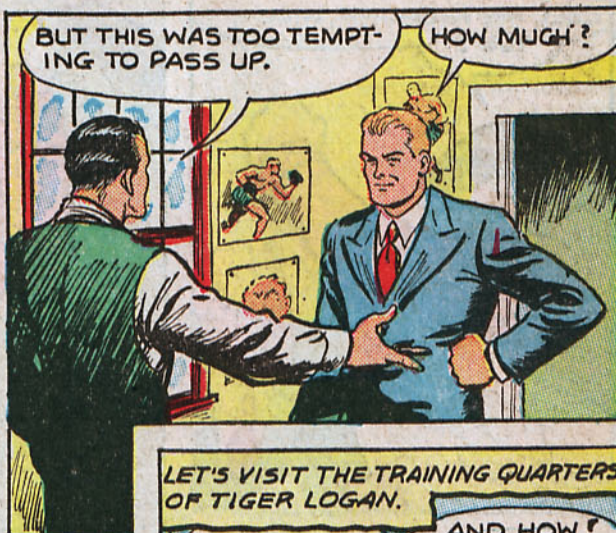
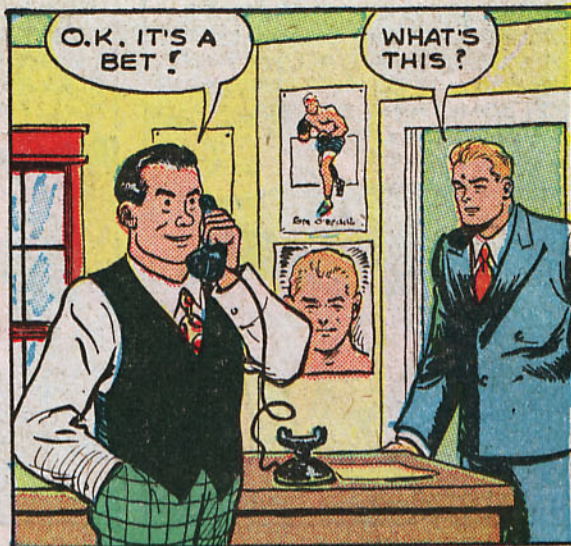
R-R-RIP!

I
DID
IT
!

WHY YOU LITTLE SO AND
SO! I'LL SAY YOU DID IT!
YOU'VE RUINED TH' ONLY
POOL TABLE I OWN !!!
NOW I AM OUT
OF BUSINESS !!!

ART
HELFBANT.

BOXIE By INK HIGGINS WEAVER



NOW, YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TO DO. GET THE CHAMP INTO A STREET FIGHT. ALL WE WANT IS FOR HIM TO HURT HIS FINGER OR SOMETHING, SO HE'LL HAVE TO CALL OFF THE FIGHT!

I GETCHA!



HMM, WONDER WHY TIGER'S MANAGER MADE A BET LIKE THAT. THERE IS SOMETHING VERY FUNNY ABOUT IT!

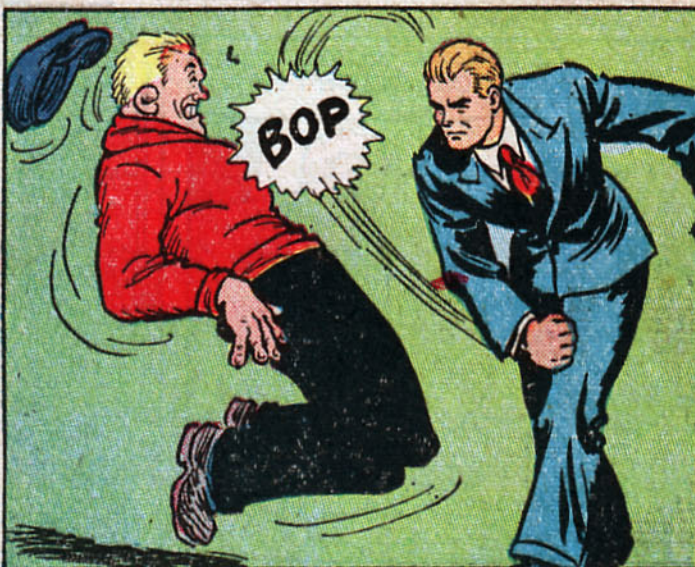


C'MON, PUT UP YER DUKES, YOU DUMB PUG!

BEAT IT! YOU'VE HAD TOO MUCH TO DRINK!



CALL ME A DRUNK, WILL YOU?

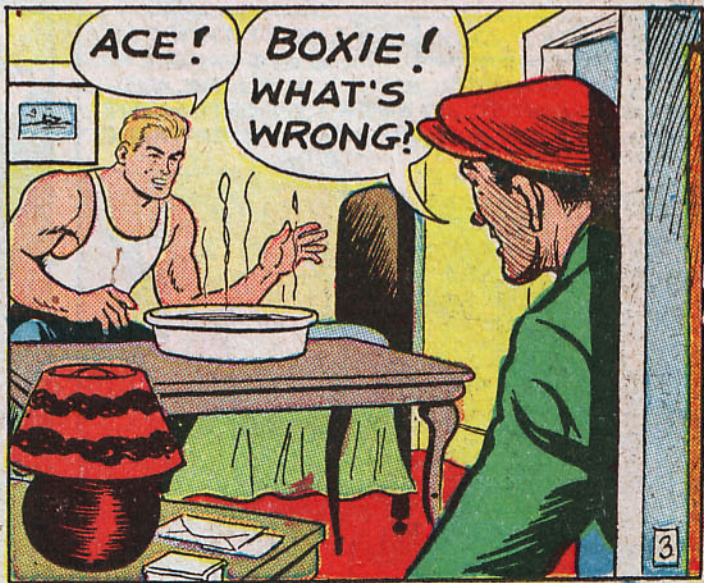
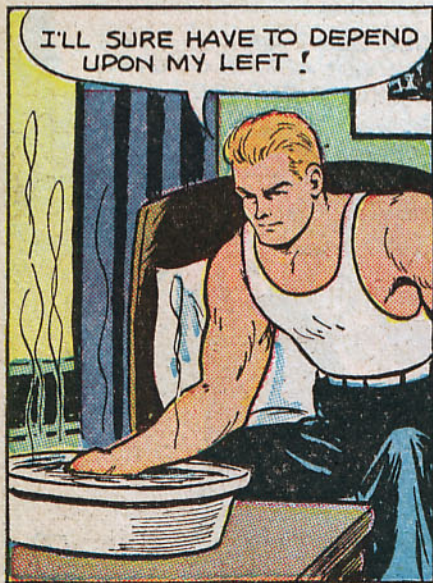
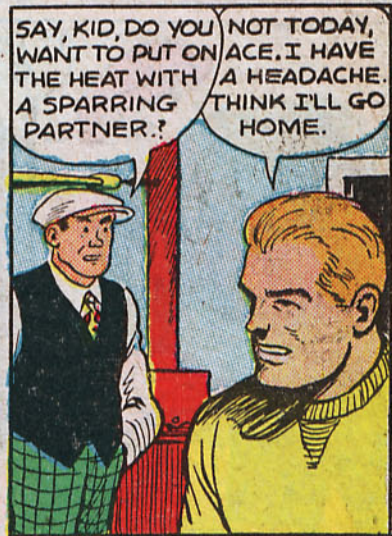
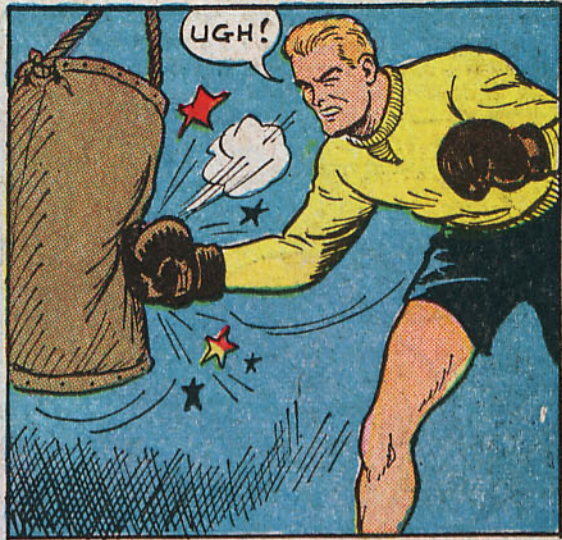
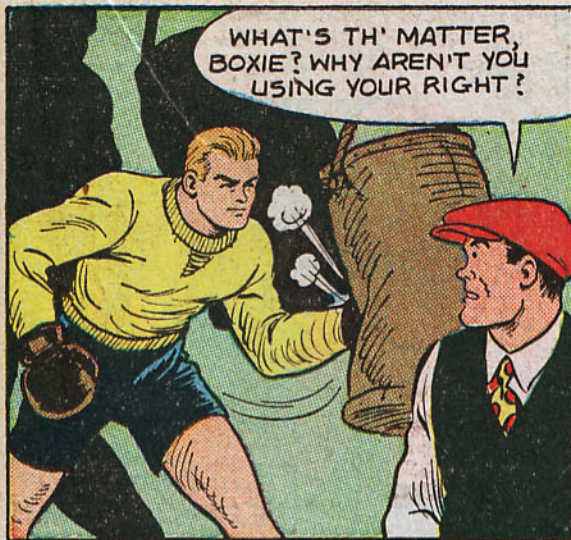


OH H, MY HAND!

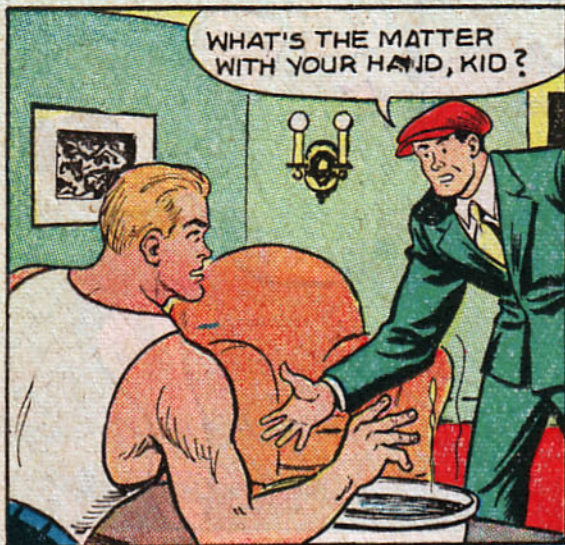


O.K., BOSS. I MAY HAVE A BUSTED JAW, BUT YOU CAN BE SURE TH' CHAMP'S MITT AIN'T WHAT IT USED TO BE!





WHAT'S THE MATTER
WITH YOUR HAND, KID?



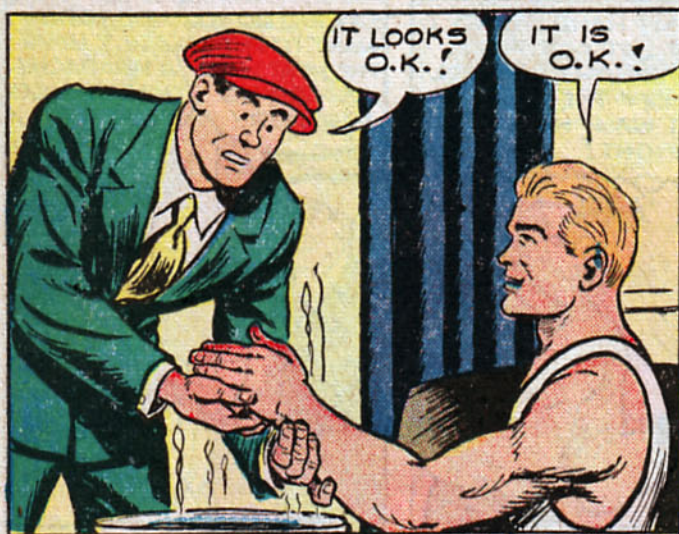
NOTHING, I TELL YOU. HERE, SEE
FOR YOURSELF.



BUT THAT'S YOUR
LEFT HAND, BOXIE!

IT LOOKS
O.K.!

IT IS
O.K.!



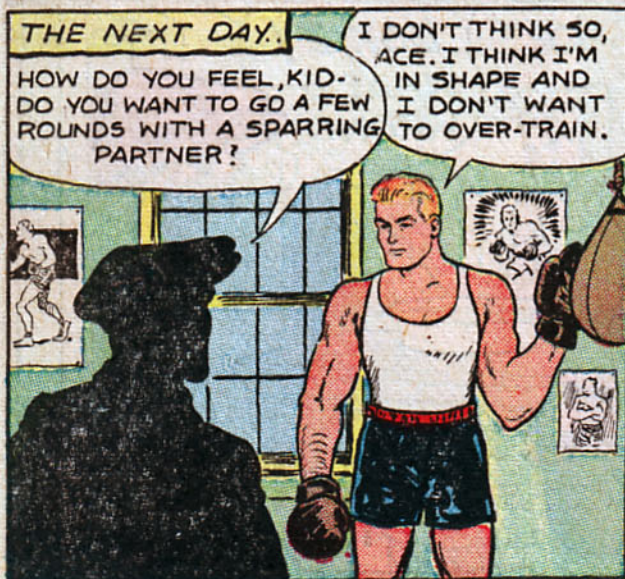
ALL RIGHT, KID---TURN
IN, I'LL LEAVE NOW.



THE NEXT DAY..

HOW DO YOU FEEL, KID-
DO YOU WANT TO GO A FEW
ROUNDS WITH A SPARRING
PARTNER?

I DON'T THINK SO,
ACE. I THINK I'M
IN SHAPE AND
I DON'T WANT
TO OVER-TRAIN.

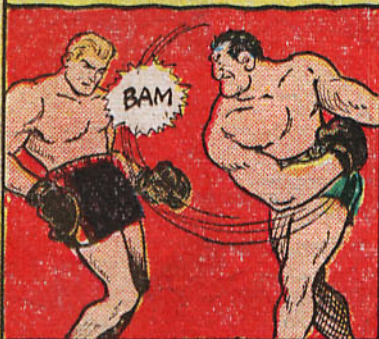


I STILL DON'T GET IT. BOXIE
WAS NEVER AFRAID OF OVER-
TRAINING BEFORE!



THE BIG FIGHT

BOTH MEN MEET IN THE CENTER OF THE RING--BOXIE LANDS A LEFT TO TIGER'S FACE--TIGER COUNTERS WITH 3 RIGHTS TO THE JAW--THE CHAMP TAKES ANOTHER SERIES OF BLOWS TO THE HEAD



BOXIE, USE YOUR RIGHT!

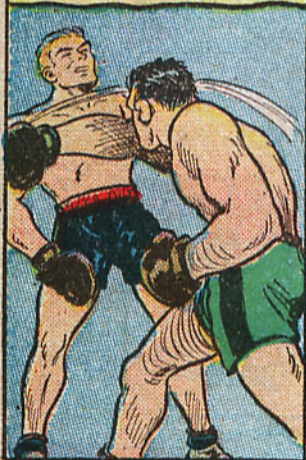


BOXIE GOES DOWN!

ONE--
TWO--
THREE--



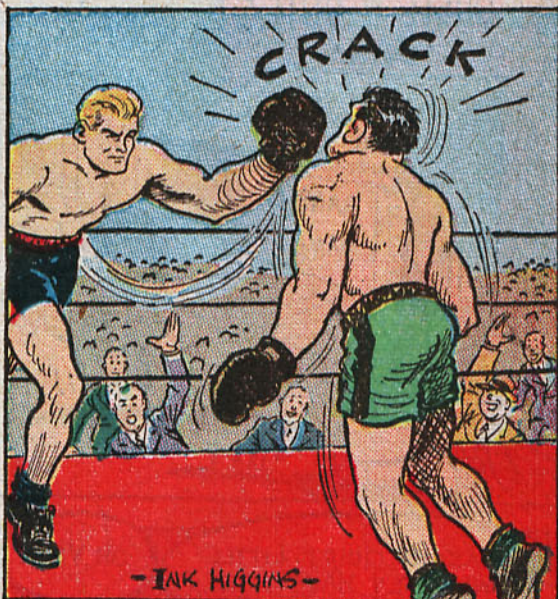
BOXIE IS UP AT THE COUNT OF FIVE ---



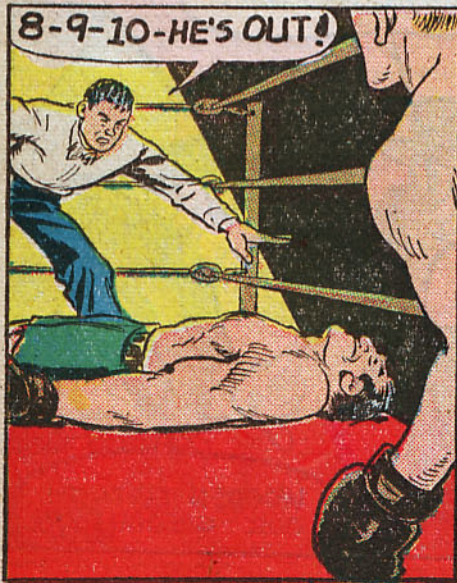
BOXIE - FOR PETE'S SAKE, USE YOUR RIGHT!



CRACK



8-9-10-HE'S OUT!

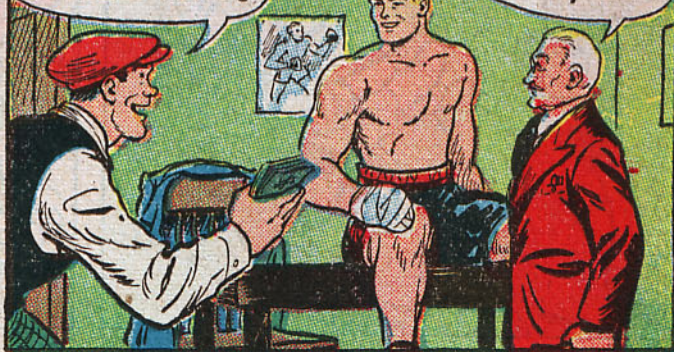


LATER--IN BOXIE'S DRESSING ROOM..

I'VE JUST COLLECTED TEN GRAND, KID. I'M TURNING IT OVER TO THE MERCHANT MARINE RELIEF FUND!

SWELL!

YOUR HAND WILL BE ALL RIGHT IN A WEEK, CHAMP.

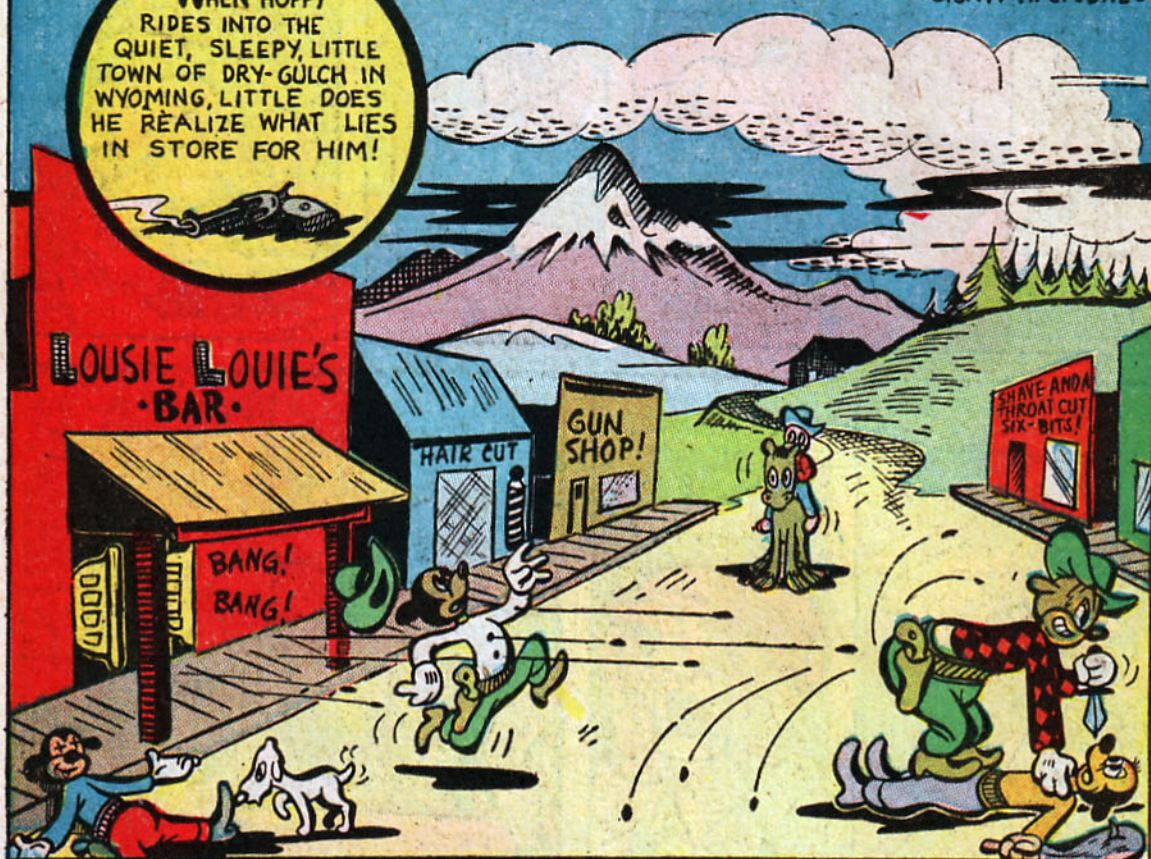


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present

HOPALONG WARE

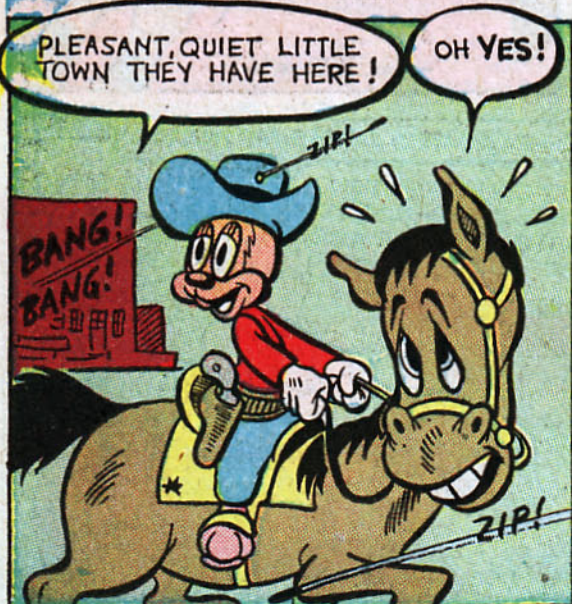
ANIMATION: H. CHAMBERS
STORY: H. C. JONES

**WHEN HOPPY
RIDES INTO THE
QUIET, SLEEPY, LITTLE
TOWN OF DRY-GULCH IN
WYOMING, LITTLE DOES
HE REALIZE WHAT LIES
IN STORE FOR HIM!**



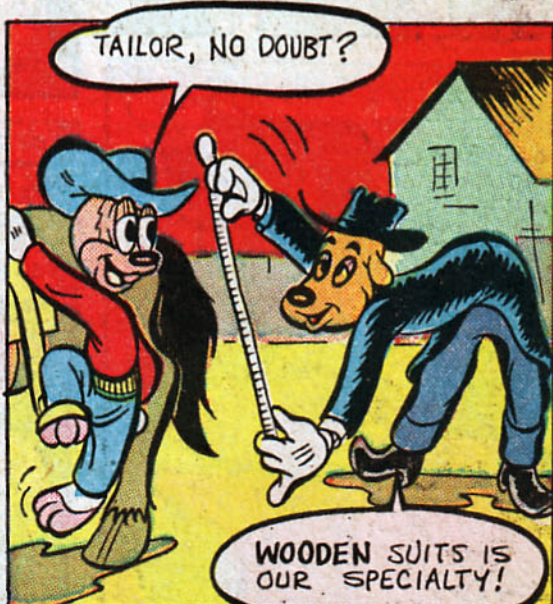
PLEASANT, QUIET LITTLE
TOWN THEY HAVE HERE!

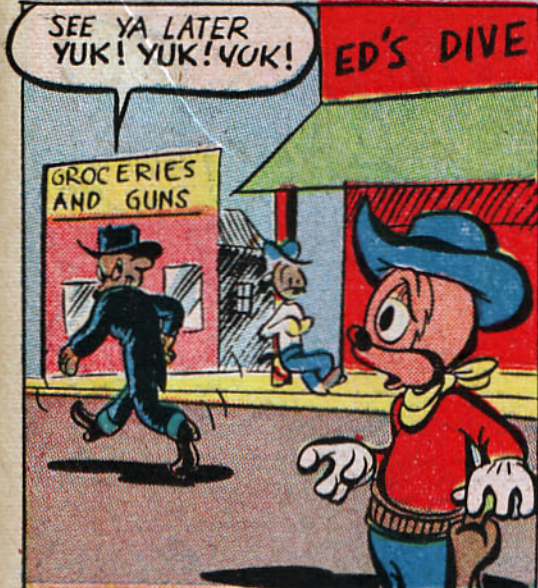
OH YES!



TAILOR, NO DOUBT?

WOODEN SUITS IS
OUR SPECIALTY!

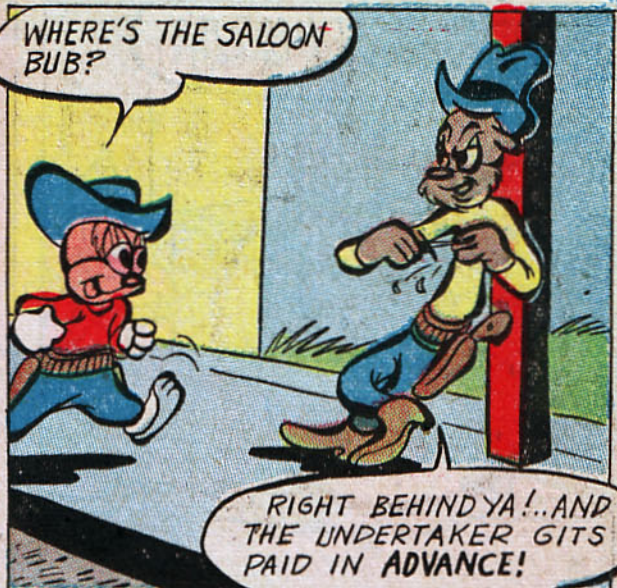




SEE YA LATER
YUK! YUK! YUK!

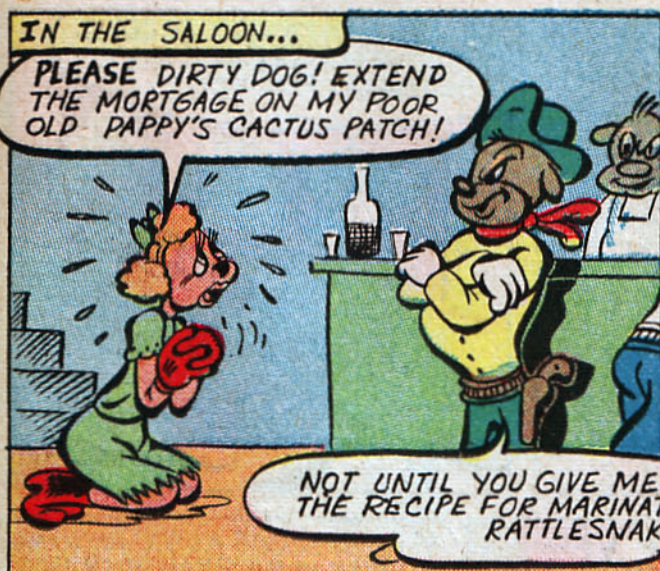
ED'S DIVE

GROCERIES
AND GUNS



WHERE'S THE SALOON
BUB?

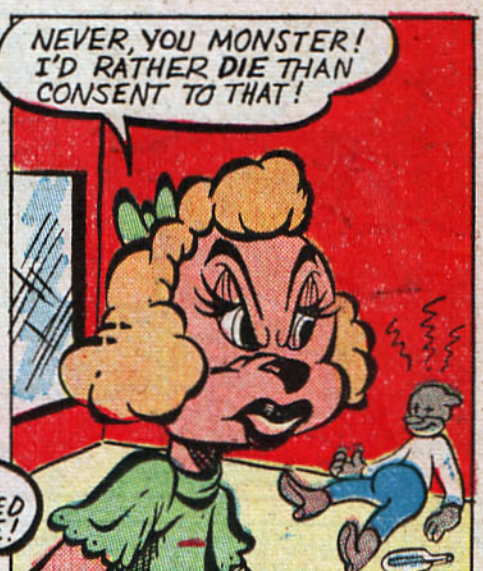
RIGHT BEHIND YA!...AND
THE UNDERTAKER GITS
PAID IN ADVANCE!



IN THE SALOON...

PLEASE DIRTY DOG! EXTEND
THE MORTGAGE ON MY POOR
OLD PAPPY'S CACTUS PATCH!

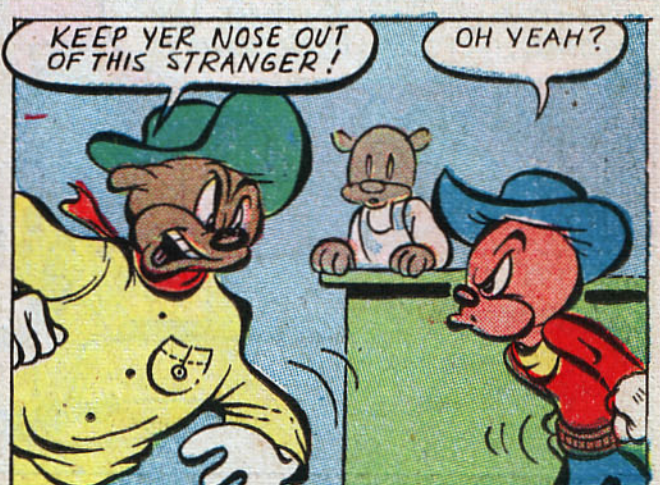
NOT UNTIL YOU GIVE ME
THE RECIPE FOR MARINATED
RATTLESNAKE!



NEVER, YOU MONSTER!
I'D RATHER DIE THAN
CONSENT TO THAT!



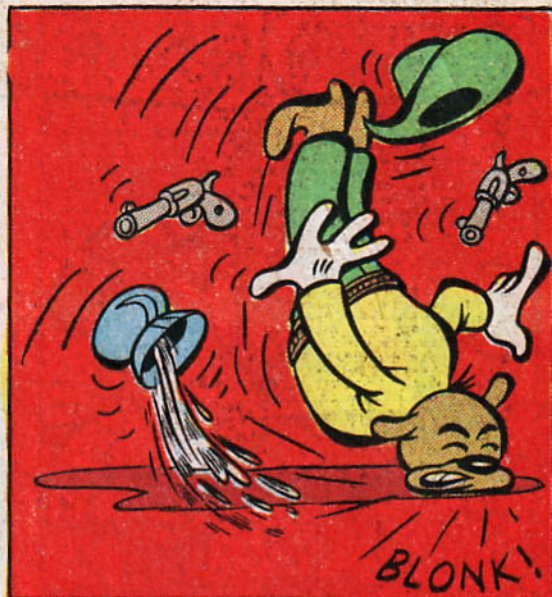
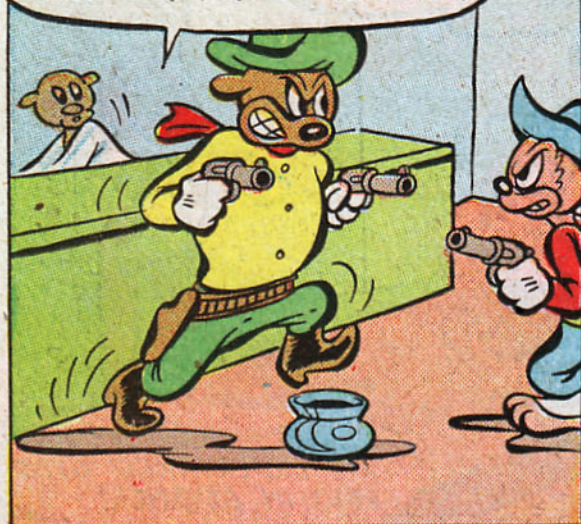
A LADY... ER, AH.. I MEAN A
WOMAN IN DISTRESS! WHAT'S
WRONG M'DEAR GAL?



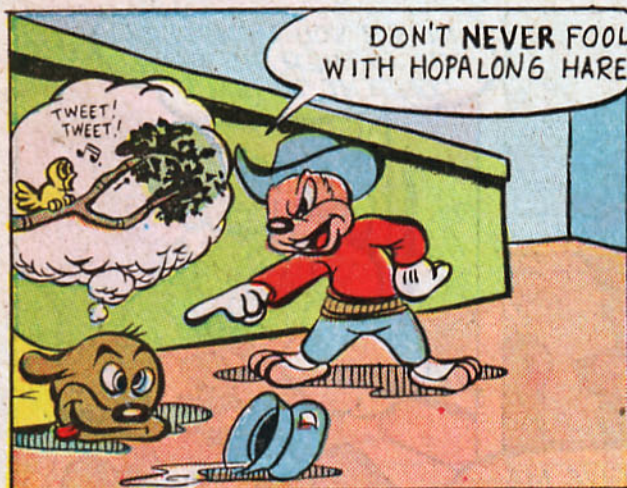
KEEP YER NOSE OUT
OF THIS STRANGER!

OH YEAH?

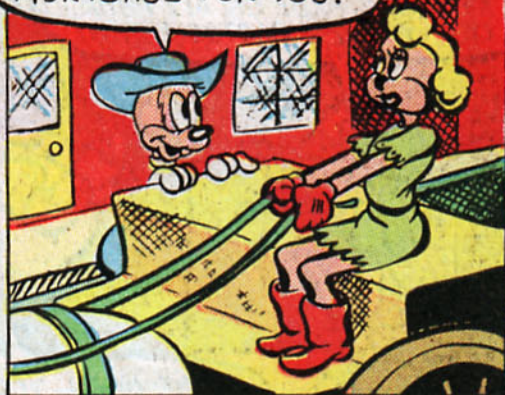
YOU ASKED FOR IT ! AND IT'S
OPEN SEASON ON RABBITS!



DON'T NEVER FOOL
WITH HOPALONG HARE.



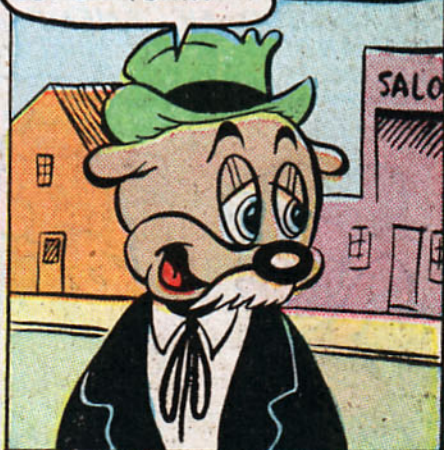
YOU RIDE OUT TO YOUR DADDY'S
CACTUS PATCH! I'LL GET THE
MORTGAGE FOR YOU!



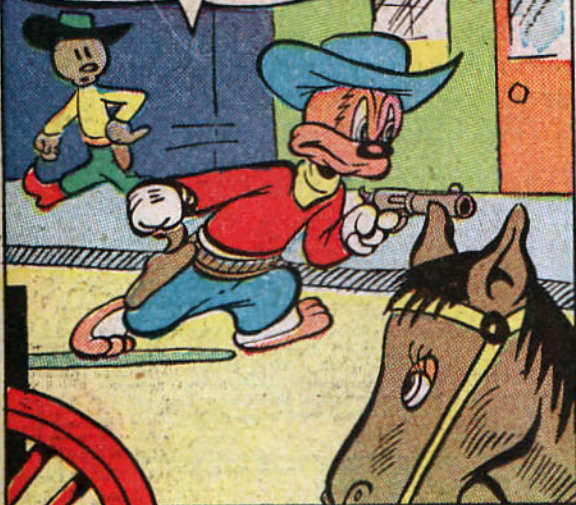
I SEEN WHAT YOU DONE STRANGER AN'
AS MAYOR OF DRY-GULCH I APPOINT YOU
SHERIFF, MARSHAL, DEPUTY POSSE, AND
CORONER! THEY'RE ALL DEAD ANYWAY!



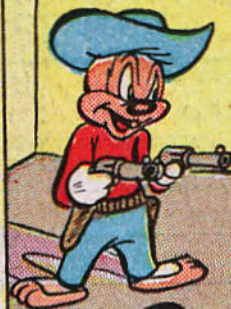
YER FIRST JOB AS EVERYTHING
IN CHIEF IS TO RUN DIRTY DOG
OUT OF TOWN!



YEH! I'LL RUN HIM RIGHT
OUTA TOWN FER GOOD!



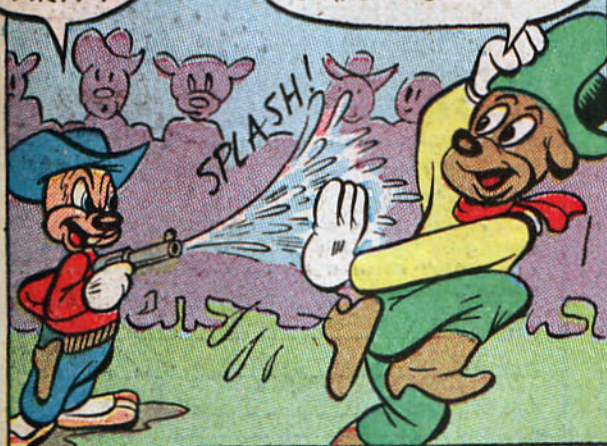
PUT 'EM UP, DIRTY
OR I'LL BLAST YA!



HAW HAW!
REALLY?

YOU ASKED
FOR IT
DIRTY!

WATER! AN' IF DERE'S
ONE TING, I CAN'T
STAND IT'S WATER!



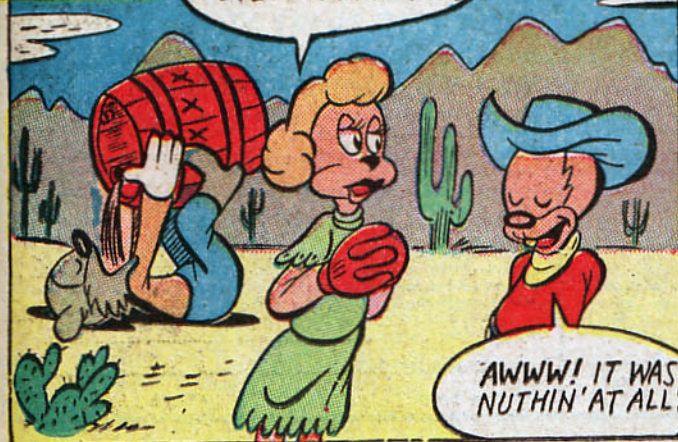
NOW! HAND OVER THAT
MORTGAGE AN' GIT OUTA
TOWN OR.... !!



NIX! NIX! I'M
GOING! I'M GOING!

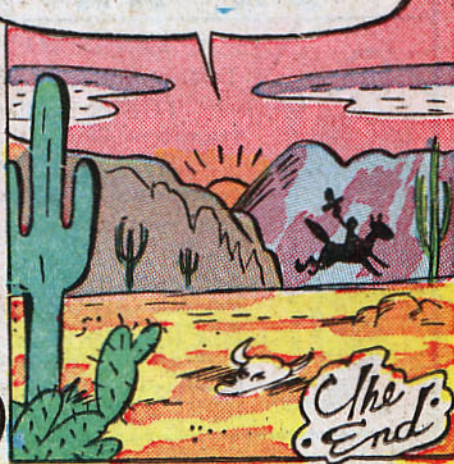
LATER....

OW! HOW CAN WE
EVER THANK YOU?



AWWW! IT WAS
NUTHIN' AT ALL!

HI YO ALUMINUM! AWAY!



The
End

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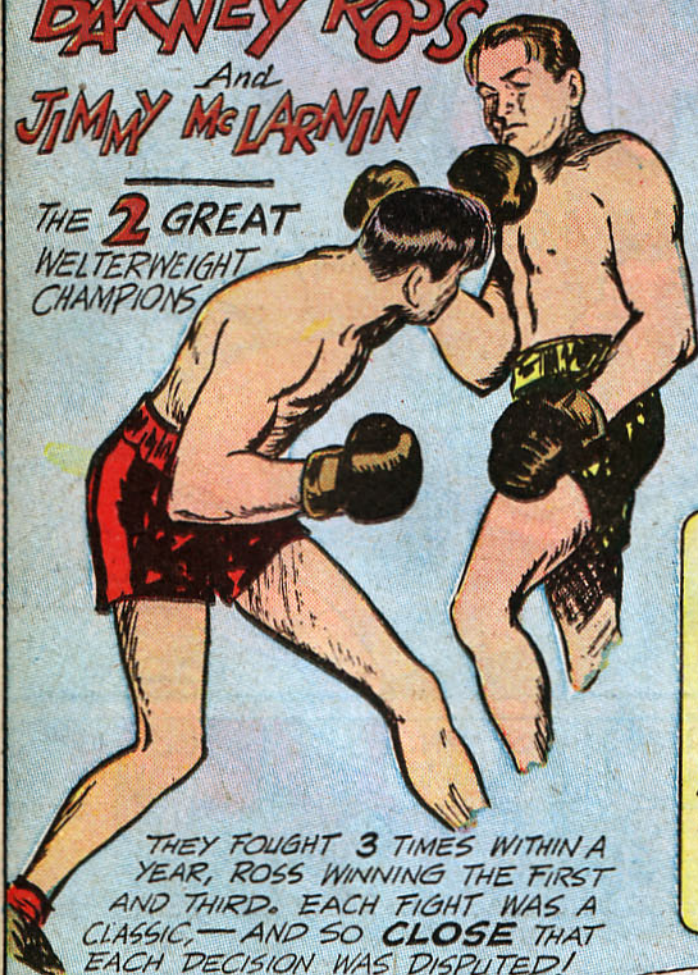
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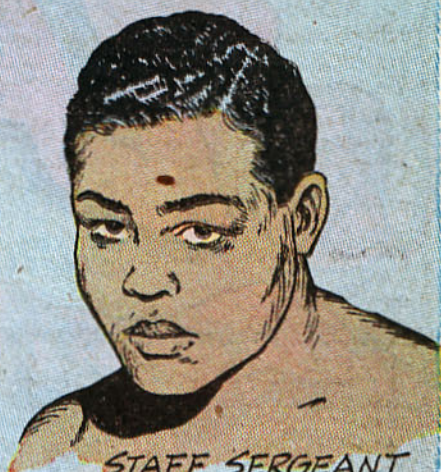
Fight Facts

BARNEY ROSS
And
JIMMY McLARNIN

THE **2** GREAT
WELTERWEIGHT
CHAMPIONS



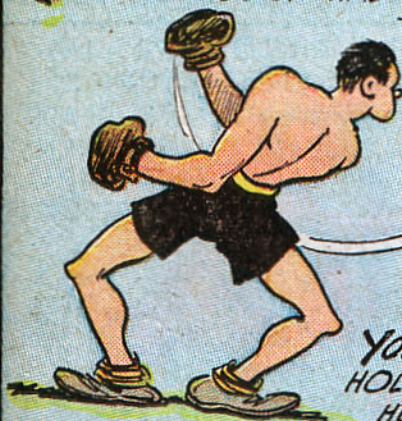
THEY FOUGHT 3 TIMES WITHIN A YEAR, ROSS WINNING THE FIRST AND THIRD. EACH FIGHT WAS A CLASSIC, — AND SO **CLOSE** THAT EACH DECISION WAS DISPUTED!



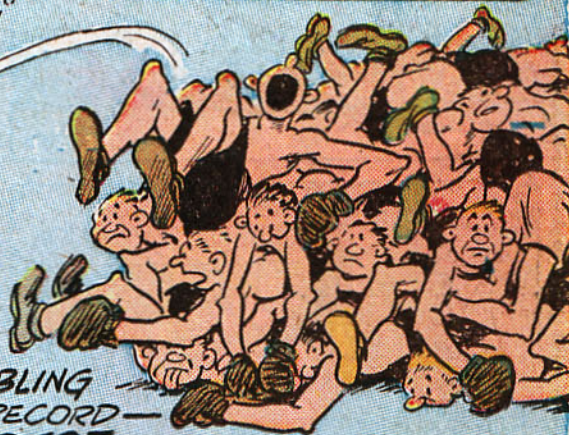
STAFF SERGEANT

JOE LOUIS

IN 1935 HE SCORED KNOCK-OUTS OVER HANS BIRKIR, LEE RUMAGE, DONALD (RED) BARRY, ROY LAZER, BIFF BENTON, ROSCOE TOLES, WILLIE DAVIS, GENE STANTON, PRIMO CARNERA, KING LEVINSKY, MAX BAER, AND PAULINO UZCUDUN. 9 OF THE K.O.'S WERE DELIVERED BEFORE THE 5TH ROUND!



YOUNG STRIBLING
HOLDS THE RECORD —
HE SCORED **127**
KNOCKOUTS



— INK HIGGINS —

ZARO

JUNGLE MAGICIAN



IT'S GETTING DARK, JIM... WE'D BETTER
PITCH OUR CAMP IN THIS CLEARING..

RIGHT, DAD.. GOOD HEAVENS! LOOK,
A WHITE MAN!

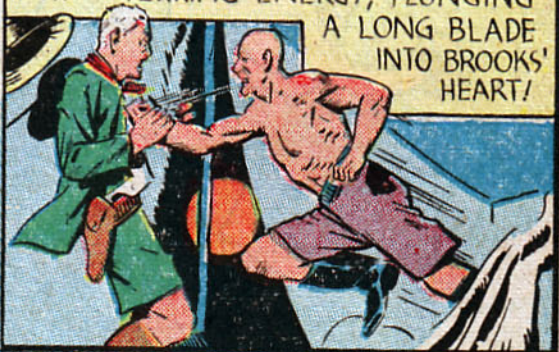
WATER! WATER!



EASY, MAN..
EASY.. NOT TOO
MUCH AT
ONCE..



SUDDENLY, THE "INVALID" BOUNDS UP
WITH TERRIFIC ENERGY, PLUNGING
A LONG BLADE
INTO BROOKS'
HEART!



WELL, HOW'S OUR
PATIENT DOING NOW?



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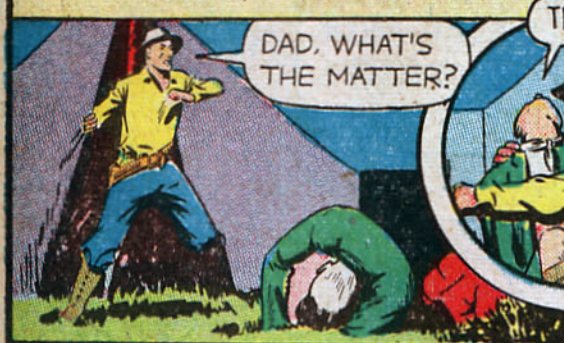
AT LAST! THE MAP TO THE ELEPHANTS' GRAVEYARD!



THE FIEND QUILTS THE TENT FROM THE REAR WITH THE AID OF HIS BLOODSTAINED KNIFE..THUS MAKING GOOD HIS ESCAPE.



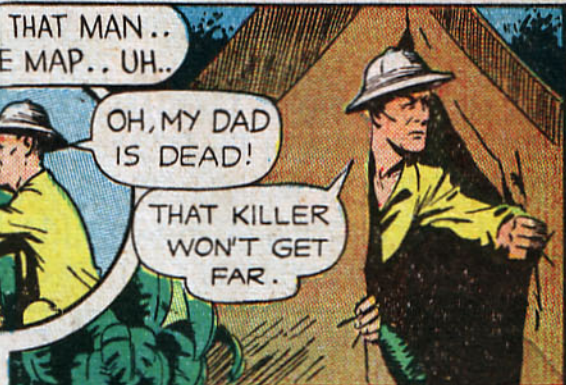
A MOMENT LATER, JIM ENTERS THE TENT...



THAT MAN .. THE MAP .. UH..

OH, MY DAD IS DEAD!

THAT KILLER WON'T GET FAR.



JIM STALKS THE KILLER'S FOOT-PRINTS INTO THE THICKEST PART OF THE JUNGLE...



THE REPORT OF A HIGH-POWERED RIFLE REVERBERATES THROUGH THE WILDERNESS, AS JIM SINKS TO THE GROUND.



WE HAVE SURMOUNTED THE LAST OF OUR OBSTACLES, SPIKE! I BIDED MY TIME PATIENTLY, TRAILING OUR NOTED EXPLORERS WELL OUT OF EARSHOT OF THE LAW BEFORE I STRUCK! THIS DRIED UP PIECE OF PARCHMENT IS THE FRUIT OF MY LABOR!

LET'S GET BACK TO CAMP, SANDERS, I CAN HEAR LIONS NEARBY!



WOUNDED, JIM MAKES AN ATTEMPT
TO CRAWL BACK TO CAMP. .

WH...WHAT'S THAT?



SUDDENLY, HE UTTERS A CRY OF
ABJECT TERROR, AS HE FINDS HIS PATH
OBSTRUCTED BY TWO BULL LIONS!

I'LL BE EATEN ALIVE!!



AT THIS MOMENT, A PIERCING, UN-
EARTHLY CRY ECHOES AND RE-ECHOES
FOR MILES AROUND AS A HUMAN FORM
HURTLES DOWN FROM THE DIZZY HEIGHTS
OF THE TOPMOST BRANCHES OF THE TALL-
EST TREES, WHIRLING FROM BRANCH TO
BRANCH, FORTY AND FIFTY FEET APART

AS THE FIRST
BEAST IS ABOUT
TO LEAP FOR THE
KILL...

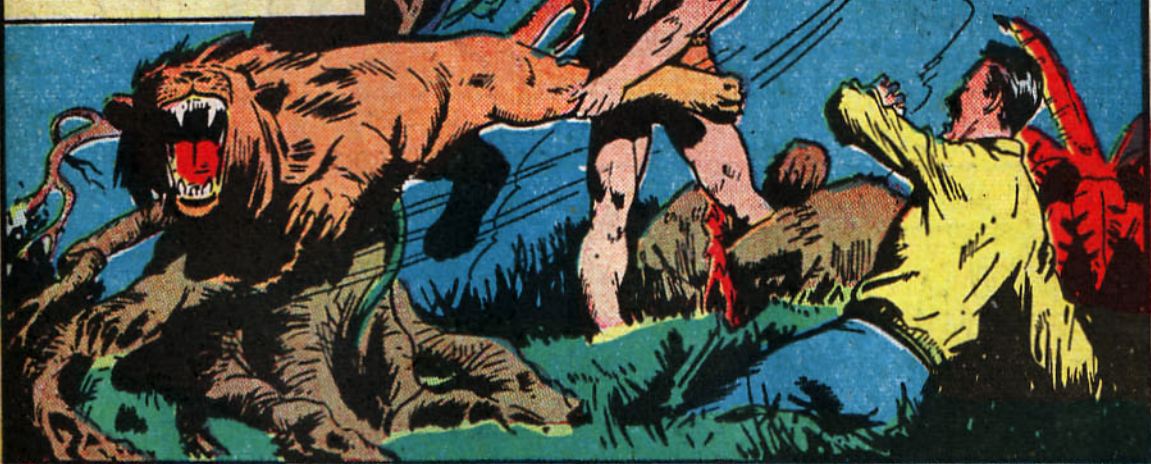


GREAT
HEAVENS!
WHAT ON
EARTH...



AT THE SPLIT SECOND JAWS ARE OPENED TO SNAP AND PAWS ARE RAISED TO STRIKE, HE IS ABLE, BY VIRTUE OF THE WONDERFUL COORDINATION HE POSSESSES BETWEEN MIND AND MUSCLE, TO MAN-EUVER HIMSELF TO SAFETY..WITH EVEN PLENTY OF TIME TO SPARE, HE RIPS ONE LION'S JAWS APART, AND SMASHES THE OTHER INTO A TREE WITH DEADLY FORCE!

JIM IS ASTOUNDED BY THE TERRIFIC MAGICAL POWER OF **ZARO**.. THE MYSTERIOUS JUNGLE ROBIN HOOD!



WHAT..ER..WHO..ER..
DO YOU SPEAK ENGLISH?

I AM CALLED **ZARO**
WHY, YOU ARE WOUNDED!



ZARO CARRIES JIM INTO THE TREES, WHERE HE TREATS HIS WOUND WITH JUNGLE BALMS.

IT IS ONLY A FLESH WOUND..
WHO SHOT YOU?



JIM RELATES THE WHOLE GRUESOME STORY...

I CAN NOT RESTORE YOUR FATHER, BUT I CAN LEAD YOU TO HIS SLAYER, AND ALSO TO THE ELEPHANTS' GRAVEYARD. SLEEP HERE TO-NIGHT-IN THE MORNING WE WILL CONTINUE YOUR JOURNEY WITH YOUR SAFARI..

I'M VERY GRATEFUL.



AT DAWN, THE EXPEDITION, LED BY **ZARO**, GETS UNDER WAY..JIM IS BORNE ALONG ON AN IMPROVISED STRETCHER.



THEY ARE TEN MINUTES FROM THEIR GOAL,
WHEN...

DO NOT SHOOT IT!



BUT THE TERRIFIED
LIEUTENANT FIRES.

THE GORILLA EMITS A BLOOD-
CURDLING CRY, AND CRUMPLES.



IN RESPONSE TO THE CRY, A HORDE OF
GORILLAS PLUNGE DOWN FROM THE
TREES.



ALMOST SINGLE-HANDED, **ZARO**
VANQUISHES THE TRIBE.

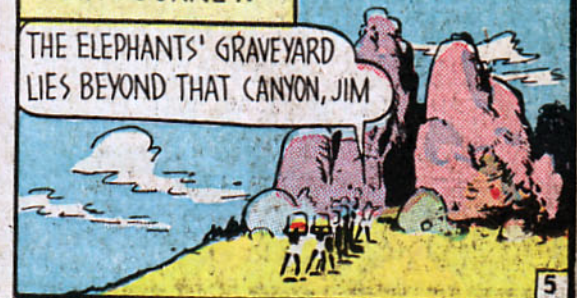


THE SAFARI, REDUCED TO ONE
FOURTH ITS NUMBER, IS NOW TOO SMALL
TO MAKE THIS VENTURE PROFITABLE.



ONE HOUR LATER, THE SURVIVORS RESUME
THEIR JOURNEY.

THE ELEPHANTS' GRAVEYARD
LIES BEYOND THAT CANYON, JIM



GOOD LORD! WHAT A SIGHT! THIS
EXCEEDS MY WILDEST DREAMS!
WHAT TREMENDOUS WEALTH!
BUT FATE HAS ABANDONED
ME... I HAVE FEW MEN
TO TRANSPORT THE WORY!



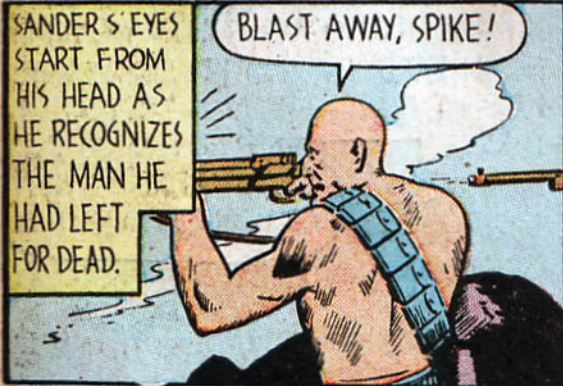
SUDDENLY, A PARTY OF WHITE AND BLACK
MEN EMERGE FROM BEHIND A HUGE ROCK.



SORRY TO DISILLUSION YOU... BUT,
EVERY INCH OF THIS TERRITORY
IS MINE! I WAS HERE FIRST!

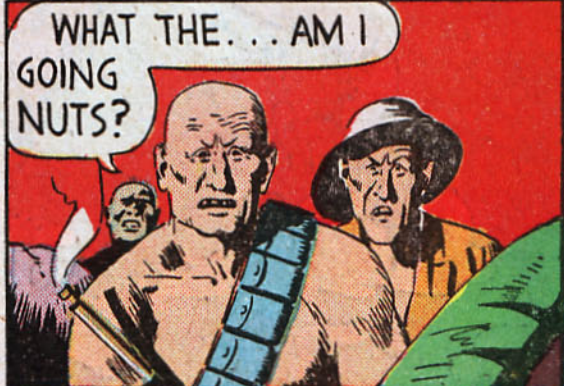
THAT'S THE MAN WHO
KILLED MY FATHER!

SANDER'S EYES
START FROM
HIS HEAD AS
HE RECOGNIZES
THE MAN HE
HAD LEFT
FOR DEAD.

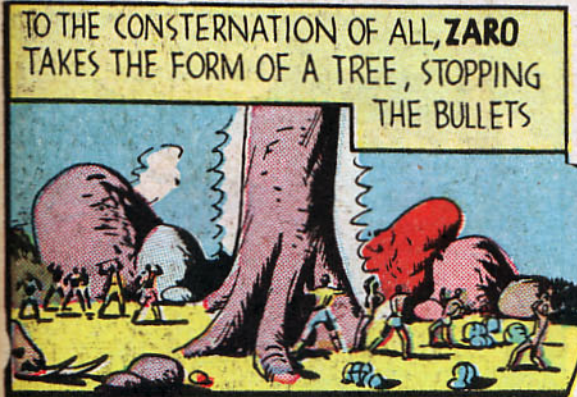


BLAST AWAY, SPIKE!

WHAT THE... AM I
GOING
NUTS?

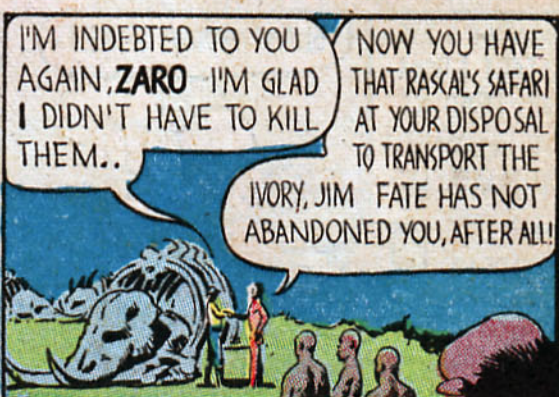
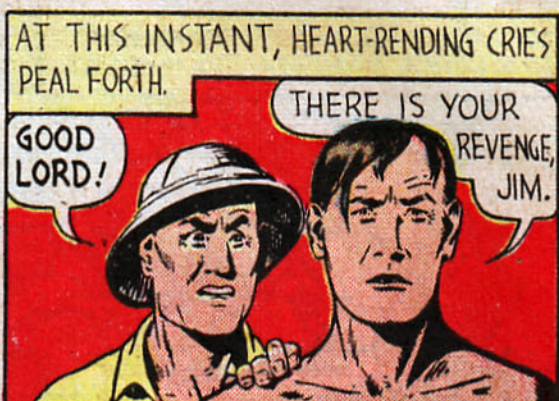


TO THE CONSTERNATION OF ALL, **ZARO**
TAKES THE FORM OF A TREE, STOPPING
THE BULLETS



DROP YOUR
GUNS!



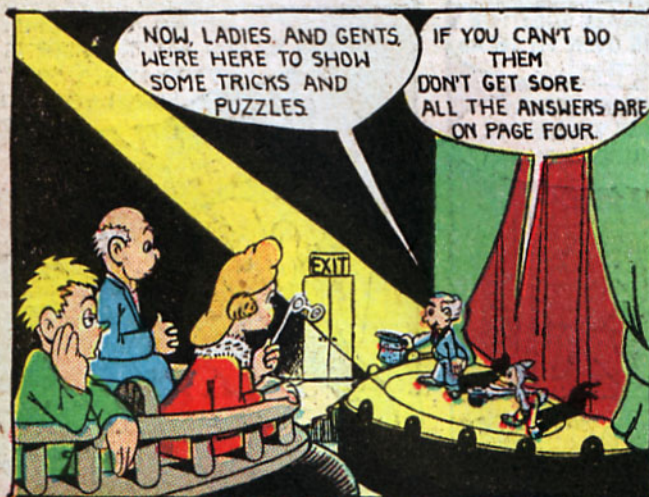


MAGIC TRICKS

FOR
YOUNG & OLD



STARRING
PROFESSOR PRESTO AND HIS
ASSISTANT, STOGIE



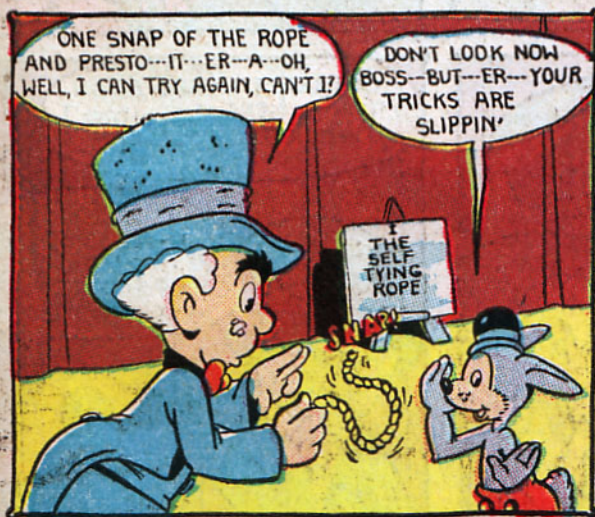
NOW, LADIES AND GENTS,
WE'RE HERE TO SHOW
SOME TRICKS AND
PUZZLES.

IF YOU CAN'T DO
THEM
DON'T GET SORE.
ALL THE ANSWERS ARE
ON PAGE FOUR.



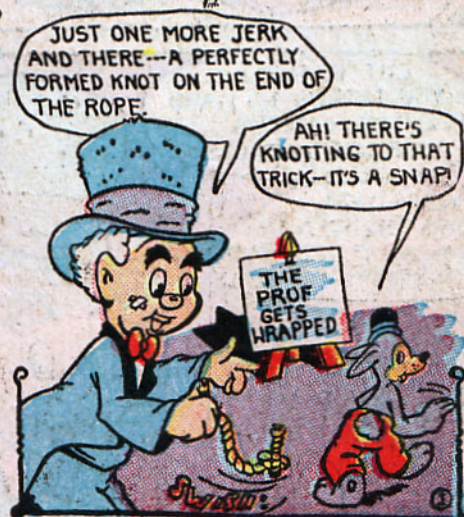
FOR OUR FIRST TRICK, WE'LL
USE THIS ROPE. WATCH
CLOSELY--THE HAND IS
QUICKER THAN THE EYE.

UHUH!



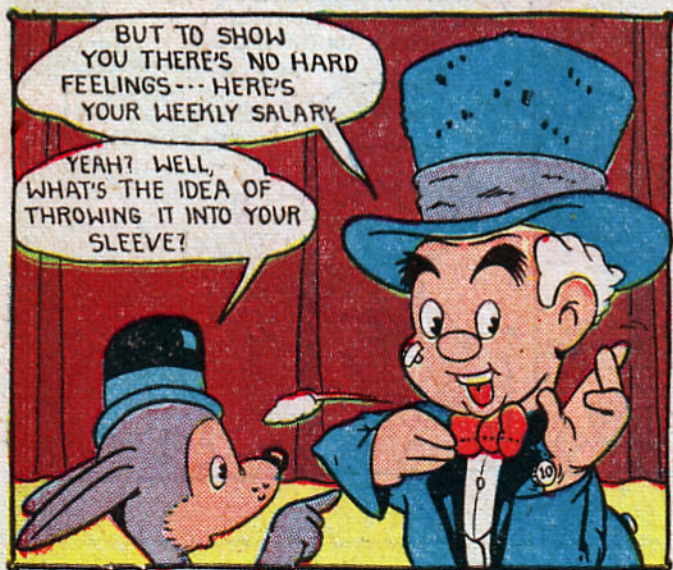
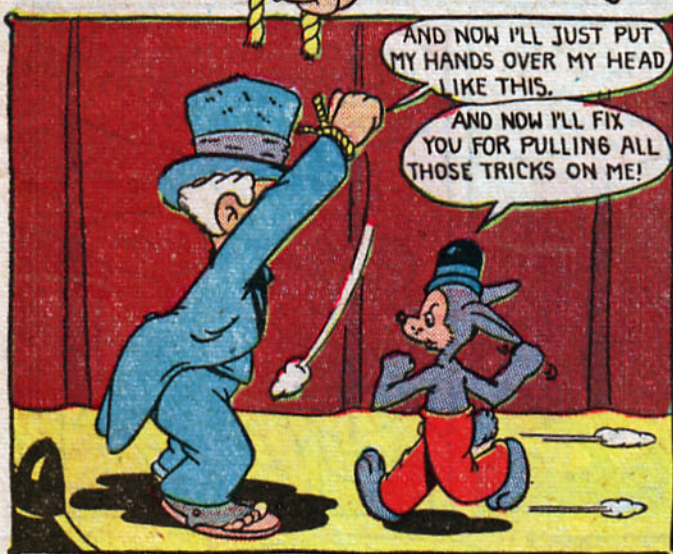
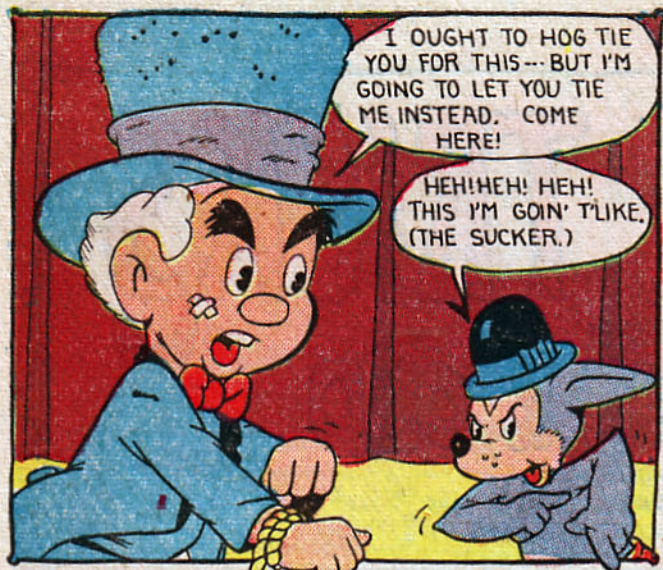
ONE SNAP OF THE ROPE
AND PRESTO--IT--ER--A--OH,
WELL, I CAN TRY AGAIN, CAN'T I?

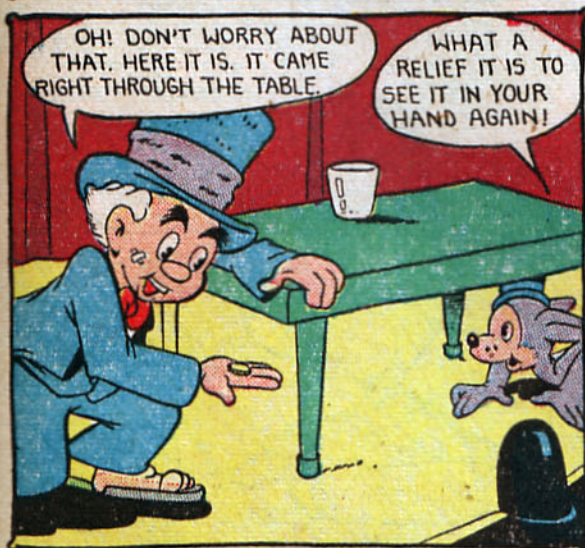
DON'T LOOK NOW
BOSS--BUT--ER--YOUR
TRICKS ARE
SLIPPIN'



JUST ONE MORE JERK
AND THERE--A PERFECTLY
FORMED KNOT ON THE END OF
THE ROPE.

AH! THERE'S
KNOTTING TO THAT
TRICK--IT'S A SNAP!





HOW TO DO



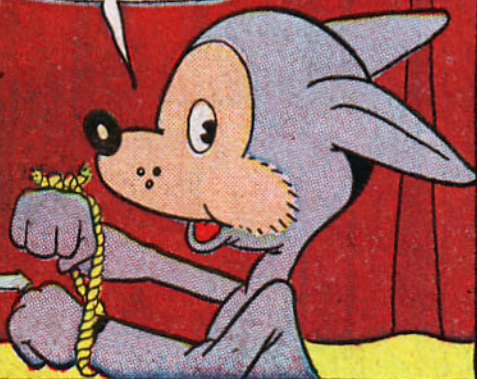
PROF. PRESTO'S MAGIC TRICKS

FOR HANDY
TRICK USE COIN FROM
UNDER TABLE WHICH HAS WAX
ON IT AND WHEN YOU RUB YOUR
HAND, STICK IT ON BACK OF HAND---
TO MAKE IT REAPPEAR, RUB HANDS AGAIN
AND SLIP IT INTO YOUR PALM



I TIED ROPE A LITTLE
LOOSE FOR YOU TO SEE THAT
ROPE IS TWISTED---AND TO GET
FREE, ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS
UNTWIST ROPE BY TWISTING YOUR
HANDS.

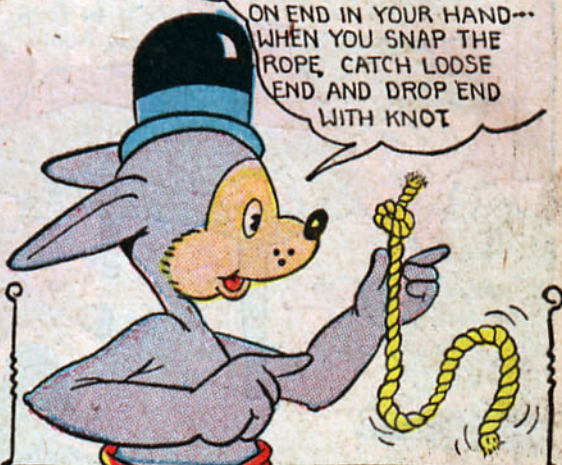
JUST WRAP
AROUND
HAND
FOR
TWIST



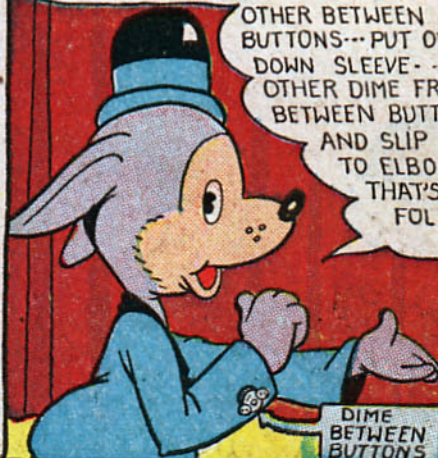
FOR COIN THAT GOES THROUGH TABLE
TRICK---USE TWO DIMES AS FOLLOWS---
ONE STUCK UNDER TABLE WITH WAX---
OTHER ON TOP OF TABLE COVERED
BY DRINKING GLASS, WITH A PAPER
DISC STUCK ON BOTTOM, SO
COIN ON TABLE CAN'T BE SEEN.



TO KNOT A ROPE ON ITS' END--- JUST
HAVE A KNOT PREPARED
ON END IN YOUR HAND---
WHEN YOU SNAP THE
ROPE, CATCH LOOSE
END AND DROP END
WITH KNOT



YOU DON'T HAVE TO TAKE THE DIME
OUT OF YOUR ELBOW--- JUST USE 2
DIMES---DROP ONE DOWN SLEEVE AND,
OTHER BETWEEN SLEEVE
BUTTONS---PUT ONE
DOWN SLEEVE---TAKE
OTHER DIME FROM
BETWEEN BUTTONS
AND SLIP DOWN
TO ELBOW.
THAT'S ALL
FOLKS!



DIME
BETWEEN
BUTTONS

SPEED SPAULDING

RESCUES RED WALTERS AND WINS SWIMMING MEET

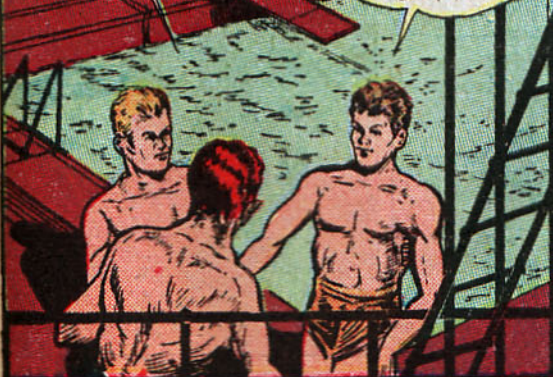


BENEATH THE CALM EXTERIOR OF THE DEEP SOUTH, EXTREME DANGER AND BOLD INTRIGUE THREATEN TO ENGULF SPEED SPAULDING AND HIS BEST FRIEND RED WALTERS. HOW SPEED FACES DISASTER AND POSSIBLE DEATH, IS A THRILLING STORY THAT DIXIE MILITARY INSTITUTE BOYS WILL LONG REMEMBER.

AN UGLY SNEER GREET'S SPEED AND RED REPORTING AT THE TRYOUTS FOR THE SWIMMING TEAM.

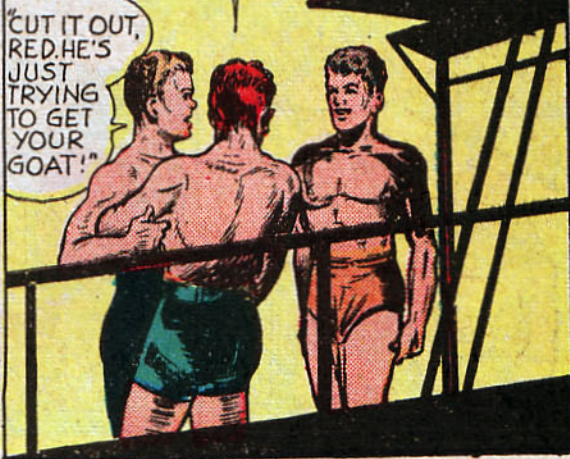
"HELLO, BRUCE
HOW ARE..."

"WELL, IF IT ISN'T
HILLBILLY, THE
D.M.I. GLAMOUR
BOY!"



"BRUCE BARNES, IF
YOU DON'T STOP..."

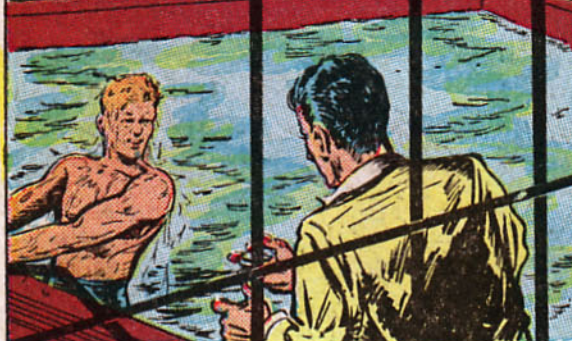
"CUT IT OUT,
RED. HE'S
JUST TRYING
TO GET YOUR
GOAT!"



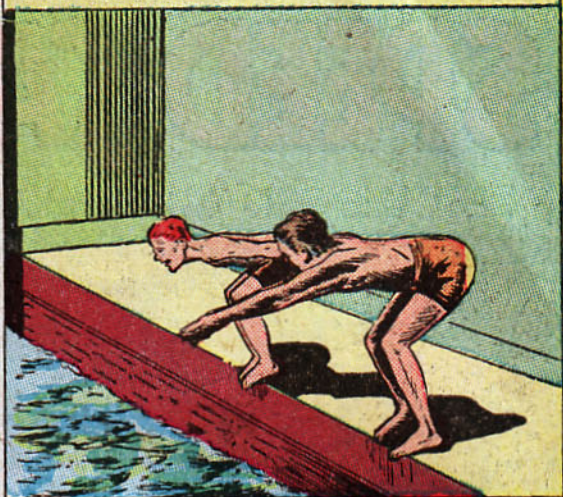
AFTER THE TRYOUTS START.

"DID - DID I MAKE
THE TEAM COACH?"

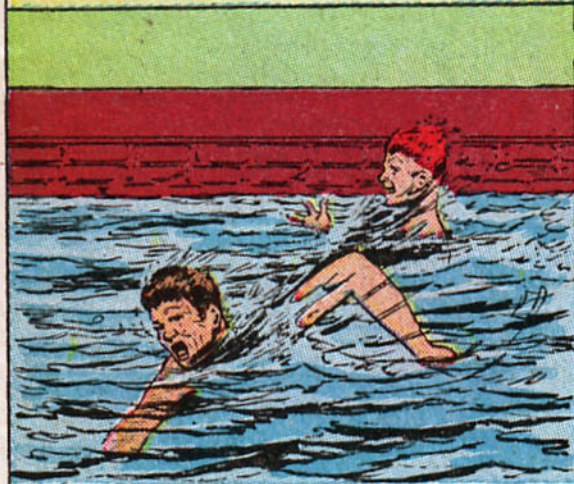
"YOU CERTAINLY
DID!"



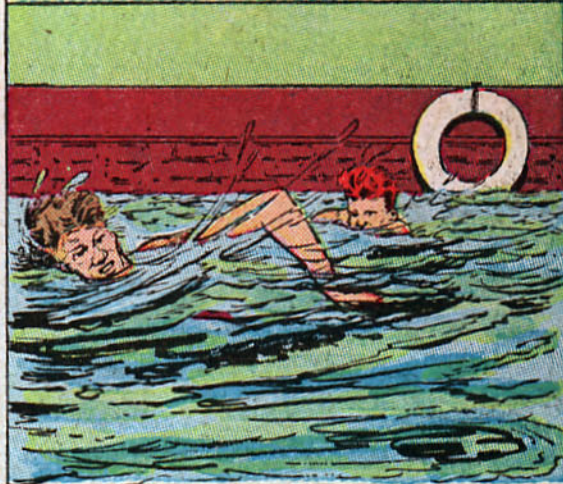
A MOMENT LATER, RED AND BRUCE DIVE
INTO THE POOL.



SUDDENLY, BRUCE DELIBERATELY CUTS
IN FRONT OF RED!



RED GOES UNDER FOR A MOMENT AND
BRUCE TAKES THE LEAD.



LATER

GOLLY SPEED, I'D HAVE MADE
THE TEAM IF BRUCE HADN'T
CUT IN ON ME

YEAH, I KNOW.
PERHAPS IT WAS
AN ACCIDENT.



I'M ASHAMED TO
ADMIT THAT I'VE
NEVER SEEN A
POOL UNTIL TO-
DAY. RECKON I'D
DONE BETTER IN
THE RIVER.

YES? THEN
RED JEEPEERS,
I HAVE A
WONDERFUL
IDEA! GO
TO THE DORM
AND WAIT FOR
ME. I'LL BE
BACK SOON.



SHORTLY AFTERWARDS.

COACH, IT WOULD
BE FINE IF FOR
A CHANGE, WE
WOULD HAVE A
SWIMMING TRYOUT
IN THE RIVER.

SPAULDING
WHY LEAVE
THE POOL?



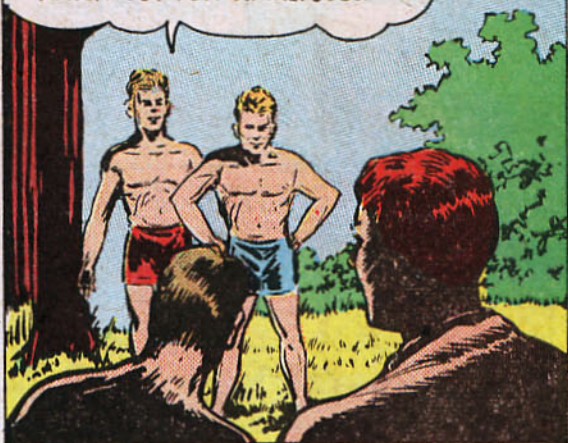
WELL, SIR, A TRYOUT IN THE RIVER WOULD BE MORE STRENUOUS THAN IN THE POOL AND IT WOULD GIVE YOU A BETTER IDEA OF THE BOYS' STAMINA.

BY JOVE, SPEED, I THINK YOU'RE RIGHT.

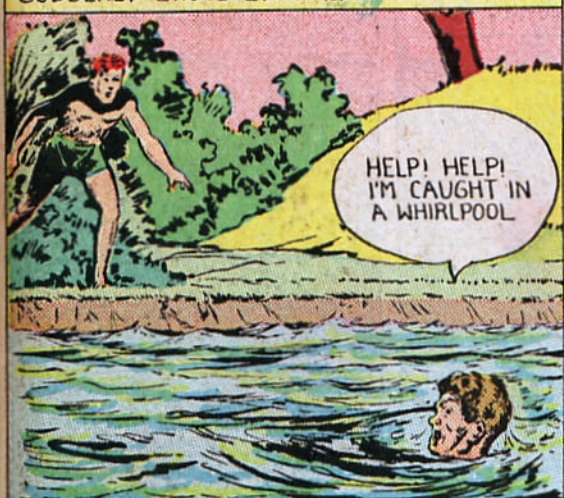


THE FOLLOWING AFTERNOON.

BOYS, YOU WILL HAVE ANOTHER TRYOUT IN THE BIG TOM, BUT WATCH OUT FOR WHIRLPOOLS.



THEN THE BOYS DIVE INTO THE WATER. SUDDENLY BRUCE SHRIEKS.



RED RUSHES TO HELP BRUCE, BUT BRUCE SINKS DOWN BELOW THE WATER.



IGNORING THE DANGEROUS WHIRLPOOL, RED RESCUES BRUCE, AND, THEN—



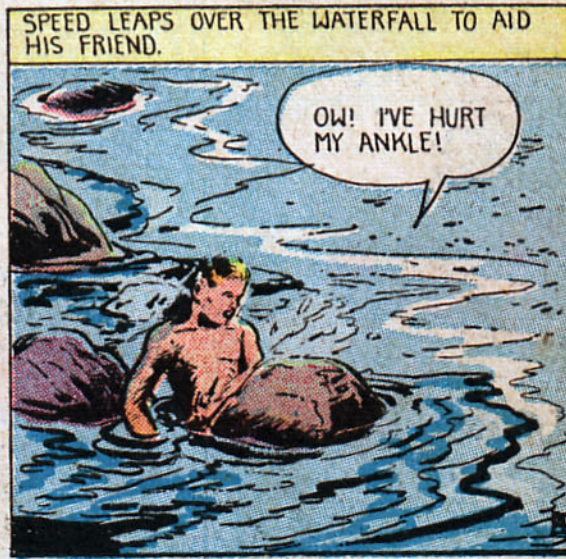
STRUGGLING WITH THE FURY OF A MADMAN, BRUCE ALMOST DRAGS RED DOWN BENEATH THE RAGING CURRENT.



FIFTEEN MINUTES LATER.

BRUCE IS O.K. THANKS TO RED. YOU WILL ALL RESUME THE TRYOUTS EXCEPT RED.







GEE I DON'T SEE
RED ANYWHERE.
RED! OH, RED!
WHERE ARE
YOU?



BRUISED SEMI-CONSCIOUS,
AND ALMOST EXHAUSTED,
RED CRAWLS INTO THE
MOUTH OF A CAVE NEAR
THE FOOT OF THE WATER.



WHEN RED COMES TO
WH-WH-WHERE AM I?

RED, DON'T
YOU KNOW
ME? I'M SPIKE
HARRIGAN.



OH! OH!
HELLO!--
SPIKE WHAT
ARE YOU DOING
HERE? AND WHAT
ARE ALL THOSE
BOXES?

MY, AREN'T YOU
A CURIOUS ONE!



THEY'RE CIGARETTES.
WANT ONE?

THEN, IT'S TRUE,
YOU AND YOUR
GANG ARE RUNN-
ING A BLACK
MARKET AND
HI-JACKING!



MEANWHILE SPEED CONTINUES TO SEARCH
FOR RED.

GEE, I DON'T SEE HOW RED
COULD HAVE DISAPPEARED
SO SUDDENLY.



SPEED REACHES THE MOUTH OF THE CAVE.
HE STOPS SUDDENLY, ELECTRIFIED, AS HE
HEARS TWO VOICES.

YOU'VE BEEN
SPYING ON
US, RED
WALTERS, BUT
YOU WON'T DO
ANY MORE
SPYING NOW.

SOON AFTER, IN MILITARY FORMATION, THE CADETS DEPLOY

THERE IT IS, FELLOWS.
THERE'S THE CAVE.
AND I ONLY HOPE
WE'RE NOT TOO LATE.

WITHOUT WARNING A PISTOL SHOT COMES FROM THE DARKNESS OF THE CAVE AND A BULLET WHISTLES OVERHEAD.

FLOP ON THE
GROUND, BOYS.

LISTEN, WE ARE USING RED
AS A SHIELD. IF YOU
ATTACK US, WE WILL KILL
RED.

SPEED IS TOLD BY A NATIVE OF
A SECRET PATH AND SPEED
CIRCLES IN BACK OF THE CAVE,
PUSHING THROUGH DENSE
SWAMP GROWTH.

SUDDENLY, SPEED TRIPS AND
FALLS TO THE GROUND.

JEEPERS! I SURE HOPE
I'M NOT BARKING
UP A BLIND ALLEY

OUCH!

THEN, SPEED PLUNGES INTO A HIDDEN PIT.

IT'S THE OTHER END
OF THE CAVE NOW
I'VE GOT TO WORK
FAST

AS SPEED SILENTLY INCHES HIS WAY ALONG THE COLD STONE FLOOR OF THE CAVERN.

I BELIEVE I SEE A RAY OF LIGHT AHEAD!

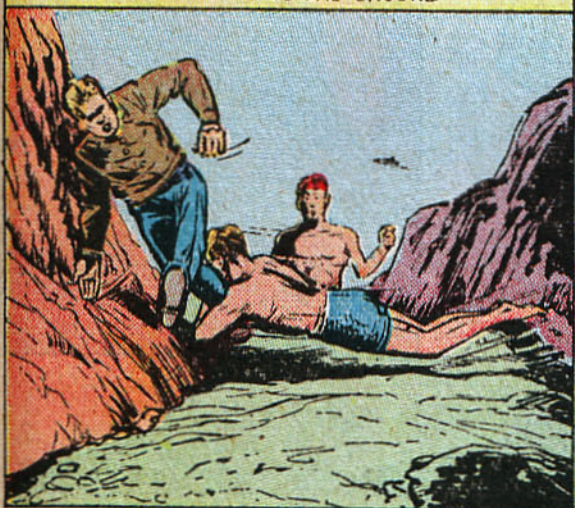


I'M GONNA COUNT TO TEN, AND THEN, IF YOU TIN SOLDIERS AREN'T GONE, I RECKON I'LL START WORKIN' ON RED.

THAT'S WHERE YOU'RE WRONG, SPIKE HARRIGAN.



SUDDENLY, SPEED MAKES A FLYING TACKLE, AND SPIKE CRUMPLES TO THE GROUND



SPIKE'S FELLOW GANGSTERS ARE STARTLED AND BECOME PANIC-STRICKEN, AS THE CADETS AND POSSE STORM THE FRONT ENTRANCE OF THE CAVE.

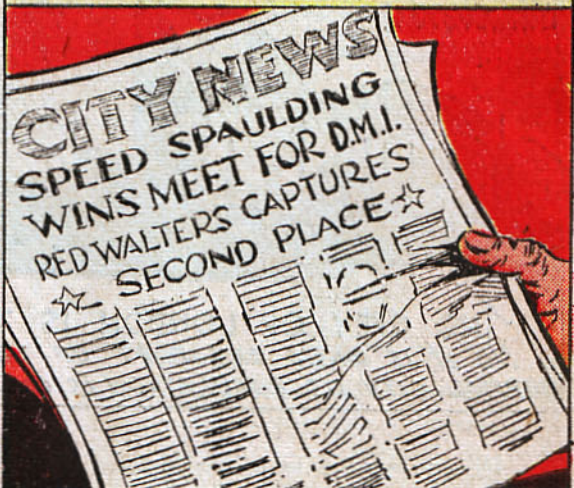
SPEED! YOU SAVED MY LIFE!



THAT NIGHT, SPEED AND RED ARE GIVEN A TORCH LIGHT PARADE BY THE ADMIRING CADETS.



AFTER THE FIRST SWIMMING MEET WITH SOUTHERN MILITARY ACADEMY.



DEBUNKER

George who cut the cherry tree?

(Glas! father I did it
with my hatchet.

THE COCONUT
IS NOT A FRUIT
BUT A SEED.



THE BAT IS A BIRD.
NO IT IS A MAMMEL WHICH FLIES
IT IS NOT BLIND.

"I CANNOT TELL A LIE"

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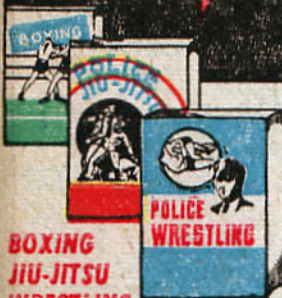
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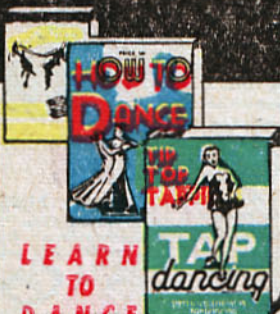
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I COULD LEARN SO
MUCH FOR SO
LITTLE MONEY



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